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—OF THE—
GRAND LODGE

—OF—
NORTH CAROLINA,

A. F. & A. M.

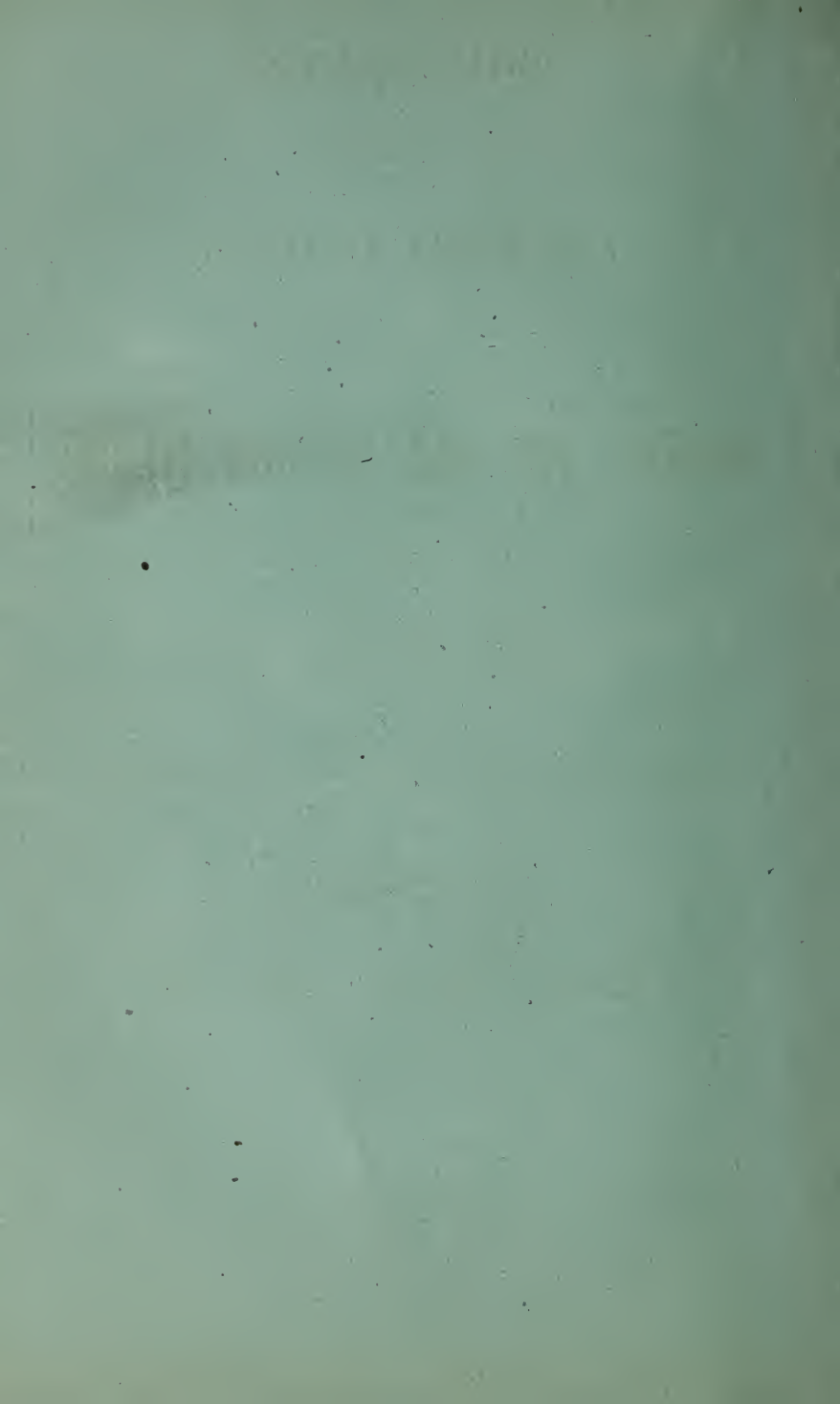
DECEMBER 7th, 8th AND 9th, 1880.

NINETY-FOURTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.



The next Annual Communication will be held in the city of Raleigh, commencing on Tuesday evening, December 6th, 1881, at 7.30 o'clock.

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GRAND OFFICERS

FOR THE MASONIC YEAR 1881, AND THEIR ADDRESS :

HENRY F. GRAINGER,	Grand Master,	<i>Goldsboro.</i>
JAMES W. REID,	Deputy Grand Master,	<i>Wentworth.</i>
ROBERT BINGHAM,	Senior Grand Warden,	<i>Mebaneville.</i>
CHARLES H. ROBINSON,	Junior Grand Warden,	<i>Wilmington.</i>
WILLIAM E. ANDERSON,	Grand Treasurer,	<i>Raleigh.</i>
DONALD W. BAIN,	Grand Secretary,	<i>Raleigh.</i>
P. T. PENICK,	Grand Chaplain,	<i>Mooreville.</i>
WILLIAM T. KENNEDY,	Senior Grand Deacon,	<i>Stonewall.</i>
SAMUEL H. SMITH,	Junior Grand Deacon,	<i>Winston.</i>
A. H. A. WILLIAMS,	Grand Marshal,	<i>Oxford.</i>
H. W. REINHART,	Grand Sword Bearer,	<i>Thomasville.</i>
DRURY A. SUGG,	Grand Pursuivant,	<i>Snow Hill.</i>
J. W. PEACOCK,	Grand Steward,	<i>Stantonsburg.</i>
J. B. ANGLE,	Grand Steward,	<i>Eagle Mills.</i>
MILES GOODWIN,	Grand Tiler,	<i>Raleigh.</i>

PROCEEDINGS.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina, commenced its ninety-fourth Annual Communication, at its Hall, in the city of Raleigh, on Tuesday evening, December 7th, A. L., 5880, A. D., 1880, at 7½ o'clock. It was opened in ample form, it being announced that a constitutional number of Lodges was represented.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Bro. W. C. Gannon, Grand Chaplain, *pro tem.*

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT :

- M. W., WILLIAM R. COX, GRAND MASTER.
R. W., ALBERT M. NOBLE,as DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
“ CHARLES W. ALEXANDER,SENIOR GRAND WARDEN.
“ HENRY F. GRAINGER,JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN.
“ WILLIAM E. ANDERSON,GRAND TREASURER.
“ DONALD W. BAIN,GRAND SECRETARY.
Bro. CHARLES H. ROBINSON,SENIOR GRAND DEACON.
“ WILLIAM T. KENNEDY,JUNIOR GRAND DEACON.
“ L. HARRELL,as GRAND MARSHAL.
“ RICHARD J. NOBLE,GRAND SWORD BEARER.
“ WILLIAM H. SMITH,GRAND PURSUIVANT.
“ MILES GOODWIN,GRAND TILER.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT :

M. W., John McCormick, George W. Blount, and Horace H. Munson,
Past Grand Masters.

R. W., Eugene Grissom, James G. Ramsay, and Thomas S. Kenan,
Past Deputy Grand Masters.

R. W., Samuel H. Rountree, Past Junior Grand Warden.

R. W., C. W. D. Hutchings, Past Grand Treasurer.

Bro. N. B. Broughton, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted a report of Lodges represented, which was

read, accepted, and recommitted for the enrolling of representatives as they appeared during the Communication.

The following is the report as finally submitted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Credentials have examined the Credentials submitted to them, and report Lodges duly represented as follows :

ST. JOHN'S,.....	No. 1.....	W. R. Kenan, W. M., H. H. Munson, proxy for S. W., Jas. C. Munds, proxy for J. W.
ROYAL WHITE HART,...	" 2.....	Walter Clark, .....proxy for officers.
ST. JOHN'S,	" 3.....	Sam'l. R. Street, Jr., S. W., James Redmond, J. W.
CHARITY,	" 5.....	H. V. Dunston, .....Rep.
PHOENIX,	" 8.....	James C. MacRae, proxy for officers.
AMERICAN GEORGE,.....	" 17.....	L. W. Rolfe, .....W. M.
PHALANX,	" 31.....	E. H. Green, W. M., F. H. Glover, proxy for S. W. and J. W.
DAVIE,	" 39.....	John C. Tynes, .....S. W.
HIRAM,	" 40.....	T. W. Blake, W. M., G. Rosenthal, S. W., W. H. Goodwin, J. W.
KING SOLOMON,	" 56.....	R. T. Stephenson, .....W. M.
CONCORD,	" 58.....	John W. Cotten, .....Rep.
GREENSBORO',	" 76.....	W. B. Farrar, W. M., J. A. Pritchett, J. W.
ZION,	" 81.....	Thos. J. Whitaker, J. W.
FELLOWSHIP,	" 84.....	W. N. Benton and T. C. Davis, Rep.
JOSEPH WARREN,	" 92.....	J. W. Peacock, .....Rep.
ST. JOHN'S,	" 96.....	S. H. Rountree, W. M., John Cunningham, proxy for S. W., W. T. Loftin, proxy for J. W.
FULTON,	" 99.....	B. F. Rogers, .....Rep.
WARREN,	" 101.....	Thomas S. Kenan, .....Rep.
WAYNE,	" 112.....	E. A. Wright, W. M., E. W. Cox, proxy for J. W.
HOLLY SPRING,	" 115.....	J. G. Langston, S. W., J. M. Rowland, J. W.
MT. LEBANON,	" 117.....	G. W. Blount, proxy for W. M. and S. W., R. W. King, J. W.
MT. HERMON,	" 118.....	W. E. Anderson, proxy for officers.
TUSCARORA,	" 122.....	A. H. A. Williams, .....W. M.
FRANKLINTON,	" 123.....	W. H. Mitchell, W. M., N. M. Barrow, S. W., N. Long, proxy for J. W.
CLINTON,	" 124.....	Geo. S. Baker, .....W. M.
MILL CREEK,	" 125.....	W. W. West, proxy for W. M. and J. W., J. H. Benton, S. W.
CONOHO,	" 131.....	R. E. Weathersbee, proxy for officers.
RADIANCE,	" 132.....	Drury A. Sugg, proxy for officers.
MOUNT ENERGY,	" 140.....	Wm. E. Bullock, proxy for officers.
CAROLINA,	" 141.....	Thos. S. Kenan, .....Rep.
SCOTCH IRELAND,	" 154.....	J. G. Ramsay, .....W. M.
WHITE STONE,	" 155.....	J. R. Brown, W. M., L. W. Robertson, S. W., W. H. Chamblee, J. W.

ROLESVILLE,.....	No. 156.....	J. M. Fleming, W. M., J. H. Scarborough, S. W., C. H. Horton, J. W.
MOUNT PLEASANT,.....	" 157.....	Dudley Peed, W. M., Wm. L. Bledsoe, proxy for S. W.
ARCHER,.....	" 165.....	Sam'l. P. Horton,.....Rep.
WINSTON,.....	" 167.....	Sam'l. H. Smith,.....Rep.
DELK,.....	" 171.....	John B. Neathery,.....Rep.
GEORGE WASHINGTON,.....	" 174.....	W. M. Long, S. W., M. T. Horton, proxy for W. M. and J. W.
MECKLENBURG,.....	" 176.....	D. W. Bain,.....proxy for officers.
PINE FOREST,.....	" 186.....	John McCormick,.....Rep.
CENTRAL CROSS,.....	" 187.....	Geo. R. Marshborne,.....Rep.
GRANITE,.....	" 191.....	J. B. Turley, proxy for W. M. & S. W.
EAGLE ROCK,.....	" 201.....	J. W. Smith, W. M., P. P. Pace, S. W.
ROANOKE,.....	" 203.....	T. L. Emry,.....S. W.
BEREA,	" 204.....	W. H. Smith, W. M., Thomas D. Clement and S. H. Allen, Reps.
RICHLAND,	" 214.....	H. J. Harriss, W. M., H. W. Reinhart, S. W., J. A. Leach, proxy for J. W.
NEW LIGHT,.....	" 215.....	B. H. Davis, W. M., B. Walker, proxy for S. W., Eugene Grissom, proxy for J. W.
WILLIAM G. HILL,.....	" 218.....	W. J. Weir, W. M., J. C. L. Harris, S. W., John Armstrong, J. W.
MCCORMICK,.....	" 228.....	B. W. Hunter,.....S. W.
CORINTHIAN,	" 230.....	W. H. Avera,.....Rep.
WILLIAM T. BAIN,.....	" 231.....	W. R. Stephenson,.....W. M.
LENOIR,	" 233.....	C. S. Wooten, W. M., S. I. Sutton, Rep.
ANCHOR,	" 234.....	Thomas Johns, W. M., Y. L. Smith, proxy for J. W.
ATLANTIC,.....	" 238.....	R. H. Bradley,.....Rep.
ROUNTREE,	" 243.....	C. T. Barwick,.....proxy for officers.
SHILOH,	" 250.....	A. C. Harris,.....Rep.
LEE,.....	" 253.....	J. M. Sloop,.....S. W.
BEULAH,	" 257.....	E. Rose, S. W., A. M. Noble, proxy for W. M. and J. W.
HARNETT,	" 258.....	A. N. Campbell,.....W. M.
EXCELSIOR,.....	" 261.....	F. H. Glover,.....proxy for officers.
FARMINGTON,.....	" 265.....	Sam'l. H. Smith, proxy for officers.
DURBIN,.....	" 266.....	Owen Spell,.....Rep.
MEBANEVILLE,.....	" 272.....	Robt. Bingham, W. M., A. M. Noble, proxy for S. W.
WATAUGA,.....	" 273.....	H. A. Gudger,.....proxy for officers.
GREEN LEVEL,.....	" 277.....	W. B. Upchurch, W. M., T. T. Holland, S. W., W. H. Crabtree, J. W.
COLESVILLE,.....	" 278.....	F. H. Busbee,.....proxy for officers.
REHOBOTH,	" 279.....	John C. McMillan,.....S. W.
GREENVILLE,	" 284.....	B. W. Brown,.....W. M.
SALEM,	" 289.....	R. T. Gray,.....Rep.
FRENCH BROAD,.....	" 292.....	Eugene Grissom,.....Rep.
VANCE,.....	" 293.....	H. A. Gudger,.....proxy for officers.
EDGECOMBE,.....	" 298.....	R. W. King,.....proxy for W. M.
HUNTING CREEK,.....	" 299.....	J. B. Angle,.....J. W.
EVERGREEN,.....	" 303.....	L. McN, McDonald,.....W. M.

PLEASANT HILL,.....	No. 304.....	S. H. Rountree, proxy for officers.
GALATIA,.....	" 306.....	James C. MacRae,.....Rep.
PATTERSON,.....	" 307.....	B. F. Rogers,.....Rep.
RANDOLPH,.....	" 309.....	C. L. Badgett,.....Rep.
HATCHER,.....	" 310.....	G. W. Blount, proxy for W. M. & S. W.
NEW LEBANON,.....	" 314.....	D. W. Bain,.....proxy for officers.
KINSTON,.....	" 316.....	S. H. Rountree,.....proxy for officers.
WILMINGTON,.....	" 319.....	Chas. H. Robinson,.....W. M.
SELMA,.....	" 320.....	A. M. Noble, proxy for W. M., B. W. Hatcher, proxy for J. W.
WHITE HILL,.....	" 321.....	B. W. Spivey,.....W. M.
FALLING CREEK,.....	" 325.....	N. E. Cox,.....W. M.
BAYBORO',.....	" 331.....	Sam'l. Campen, proxy for W. M. and J. W.
GOLDSBORO',.....	" 332.....	W. F. Kornegay, proxy for W. M.
LOCK'S CREEK,.....	" 333.....	J. C. MacRae,.....proxy for officers.
HARMONY,.....	" 340.....	N. J. Smith, W. M., B. F. Scott, J. W.
CEDAR FORK,.....	" 342.....	Sydney Scott, W. M., H. Weather- spoon, J. W.
NUMA F. REID,.....	" 344.....	Wm. H. Ragan,.....W. M.
STANLY,.....	" 348.....	J. T. Redwine,.....S. W.
MOUNT MORIAH,.....	" 350.....	W. D. Stokes,.....Rep.
DURHAM,.....	" 352.....	E. J. Parish, S. W., W. T. Black- well, J. W.
EUNO,.....	" 354.....	C. M. Holt,.....W. M.
DELLAPLANE,.....	" 355.....	L. Harrell,.....Rep.
BAKERSVILLE,.....	" 357.....	H. A. Gudger,.....proxy for officers.
EAST LA PORTE,.....	" 358.....	Eugene Grissom, proxy for officers.
MT. VERNON,.....	" 359.....	W. T. Kennedy,.....W. M.
MAYON,.....	" 360.....	Owen Spell,.....proxy for officers.
ACACIA,.....	" 361.....	R. L. Sutphin,.....proxy for officers.
CRAIGHEAD,.....	" 366.....	F. H. Glover,.....proxy for officers.
JACHIN,.....	" 367.....	H. H. Munson, proxy for W. M. and J. W.
MT. PISGAH,.....	" 368.....	L. D. Baucom,.....S. W.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. BROUGHTON,

SAM'L. H. SMITH,

Committee.

Brethren representing sister Grand Bodies near this Grand Lodge received fraternal recognition, viz :

Bro. Fabius H. Busbee, P. M., Grand Lodge of Arkansas.

M. W., George W. Blount, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Canada.

M. W., Horace H. Munson, P. G. M., Grand Lodge of Indiana.

R. W., Thomas S. Kenan, P. D. G. M., Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

R. W., Donald W. Bain, G. S., Grand Lodges of Alabama, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, New-Jersey, Tennessee, and Texas.

R. W., Henry F. Grainger, J. G. W., Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

The Grand Master delivered his address, which is as follows :

Brethren of the Grand Lodge :

The sound of the gavel which announces that the Masons of North Carolina have assembled in annual communication for the ninety-fourth time, is welcomed by the representatives of a harmonious brotherhood, the sturdy citizens of a prosperous commonwealth. Renewed industries, plenteous harvests and pleasant anticipations greet us upon every hand ; and, while we should not omit to raise our grateful tribute to the Giver of all good gifts, we should be mindful that our most appropriate acknowledgment is to contribute of our means to the unfortunate, our sympathy to the afflicted.

Having adverted in a previous address to the relations which ought to exist between Masonry and revealed religion, there are many reasons which urge me briefly to call your attention to the proper sphere and function of our order in its relation to government.

It is greatly to be feared that a serious misconception of the duties which Masons owe to each other sometimes exists among some members of the fraternity, and this gives rise among the outside world to an idea of Masonry which is at variance with its tenets and its principles. It may be broadly stated that no one can be a good Mason who fails in his duty as a citizen. Masonry acknowledges the supremacy of the law, and inculcates an earnest loyalty to the established government. It enjoins upon its votaries the paramount duty of conducting themselves as peaceable citizens. At an early period in the initiation, the candidate is truthfully assured that any obligation he may be called upon to take will not conflict with his duty to his country, and he is enjoined to live soberly, act discreetly and strictly to conform to the moral law. In the administration of justice, true Masonry can never conflict with law. A brother is not called upon to shield any criminal, even though the offender may have worn the white apron of innocence ; but, on the contrary, Masonry inculcates a strict recognition of the duties he owes as a man to the society in which he lives. As a judge, a juror, a witness, he can recognize no distinctions between a brother and a profane. Should any other line of conduct prevail, the very foundations of our social system would be endangered, and the order would incur the just odium of every honest man.

PHINEAS W. FANNING, PAST GRAND MASTER.

Since the last annual communication, a good and faithful Mason has passed from time into eternity. The aged and honored Phineas W. Fanning, Past Grand Master, was called from his labors on the 10th day of August, 1880, in the city of Wilmington, of which he had been a

resident sixty years. Brother Fanning was, for many years, a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, his membership dating back to 1822. In 1845, 1846 and 1847 he was Grand Master, and filled the high office with singular zeal and acceptability. He closed a long life of usefulness with the universal esteem of those who knew him. Such a life as his is the fittest exemplar of the beauties and the strength of Masonic virtues.

FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS.

It is encouraging to note the general tendency toward pacification and harmony among the fraternity during the past year. The long and somewhat acrimonious controversy between the jurisdictions of Colon and Cuba has been satisfactorily adjusted, and they are now fraternally coöperating. The claim of the Grand Lodge of Scotland to establish Lodges within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Quebec has been withdrawn, and amicable relations have been reëstablished. It is gratifying to feel that the principle of non-intervention in the disputes of other jurisdictions practiced by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina has been both judicious and salutary.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

As heretofore, the official correspondence of the office has been voluminous. Many matters of importance have been submitted for my consideration, and as far as practicable have been promptly attended to.

While I rendered many decisions in regard to matters in this jurisdiction, they have been, in the main, anticipated by rulings of my predecessors and our Masonic Code. Hence I will not encumber your records with them. It is manifest that the officers of many of our Lodges either have not the facilities, or else do not seek, to familiarize themselves with such matters. I recommend, therefore, that the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence be directed to digest the decisions of the Grand Masters, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to publish them with such changes of our Masonic Code as may have been made since its adoption. By furnishing the Lodges with copies of this publication the correspondence of this office would be diminished, and the subordinate officers greatly benefited.

The disposition usually manifested at our grand communications to modify and abrogate our organic law should not be encouraged. No changes should be made unless the necessity is manifest, for it more often tends to embarrass than prove beneficial.

There is one decision, however, in regard to non-affiliates, in reference to which there still seems to be much uncertainty, which, therefore, I will mention. It is, that one who is dismembered for non-payment of dues is entitled to be restored to membership upon his paying the amount that is due; that his application cannot be rejected unless charges are preferred against him; which may be done for causes which have arisen during the term of his dismemberment.

OXFORD ORPHAN ASYLUM.

In my previous address, having fully set forth the object and purposes of this institution, having dwelt upon the efficiency of its management, and directed attention to its great importance, it is not my purpose now to dwell upon these matters. Two years ago, this institution was languishing. Since then we have obtained for it an annual appropriation of \$3,000 from the State, and secured from the Baptists, Methodist Episcopal, Protestant Methodist and Presbyterian churches their cordial endorsement, and practical and systematic support of this work. With their coöperation and contributions received from benevolent associations and individuals, the Asylum was never in a more flourishing condition. I refer you to the report of our efficient Superintendent for the details in regard to the same.

ST. JOHN'S DAY (JUNE 24)

was duly celebrated, and, I may add, with unusual *éclat*. Mrs. Mary Bayard Clarke, the most accomplished poet of the South, prepared and read an appropriate poem; an able and scholarly oration was delivered by Bro. James W. Reid, brief addresses made by your Grand Master and Bros. D. W. Bain, Thomas S. Kenan and A. H. A. Williams. The programme was interspersed with very interesting exercises, and the generous citizens of the county contributed a sumptuous repast. The day was thus passed both agreeably and profitably, and renewed interest was awakened in the orphan work.

THE ORPHANS' FRIEND,

under the auspices of Miss Mary Anderson, is a success, and greatly promotes the interest in the orphans. Much of her time is necessarily employed in canvassing. I have, therefore, suggested to Bro. Mills (in which he concurs) that some of our most accomplished writers might be secured as occasional contributors, especially as the purpose of this publication should be utilized more for the purpose of arousing an interest in the little orphans than merely a source of revenue. Despite his exacting duties, the pen of Bro. Mills has not been idle, as the readers of the *Friend* may have discovered, for with his broad axe he hews to the line, let the chips fall where they may.

SUGGESTIONS.

At the request of Bro. Mills, I appointed a committee, clothed with full authority, to visit and carefully examine and report on all matters pertaining to the institution. It is regretted that in my absence from the State this duty was neglected.

As our receipts and disbursements are large, and derived from various sources, all matters pertaining to their management should be carefully inquired into. The committee appointed by this body are not at all times allowed sufficient time to bestow upon them that careful examination which may prevent future criticisms. The best time to originate

reforms is when they will not invite hostile criticism. The sterling integrity, the great efficiency and earnest zeal in this work of Bro. Mills properly commands the unqualified confidence of us all. Yet we may not at all times be able to command his services. Hence prudence would suggest the adoption of such means as may prevent any future mistakes. I therefore recommend the appointment of three trustees, who, under such regulations as this body may adopt, may coöperate in the management of this institution. The suggestion is made at this time, inasmuch as upon the election of another Superintendent an unwillingness to clothe him with the full powers of his predecessor might appear invidious.

During the year the erection of an additional building, separate and apart from the main building, for the accommodation of the larger boys, was contemplated. Bro. W. J. Hicks kindly drew a plan for the same, but the whole matter was postponed until the meeting of the Grand Lodge. Whether a portion of the Asylum ground should be sold and such accommodations for the boys secured at some other point, is a matter for your consideration. I am not fully satisfied as to its practicability, but prefer additional buildings on the same ground.

COMMUNICATIONS.

I recommend that our communications take place hereafter in January, instead of in December. Many of the county officers, with their sureties, are compelled to be at home to renew their bonds at this season, and are deprived of the privilege of being present.

Again, the Legislature is in session every two years, and thus, many being Masons, are enabled to represent their Lodges in person instead of by proxy.

Many of the above are our most active and useful members.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The report of your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, when carefully prepared, is the most instructive and interesting part of your published proceedings. It brings you in contact with the whole Masonic world, traversing states and empires, embracing continents, and visiting even the isles of the sea. By it we are brought in contact with the ablest Masonic minds and familiarized with their rulings and views. It affords me pleasure to testify to the scholarly and elaborate report of this character, prepared by your committee for the last annual communication. To impress you with the amount of labor bestowed on its preparation, I make the following extract from the report :

“The work assigned to your committee is one of great magnitude, involving the examination of more than forty reports of the annual proceedings of grand jurisdictions, and the reading, more or less carefully, of more than ten thousand pages of closely-printed matter.”

Of the fifty-six reports of proceedings exchanged with your Grand Body, all have a report on Foreign Correspondence published in their proceedings, with some fifteen exceptions. Many of these reports are prepared in the most thorough manner, and display great literary ability and Masonic knowledge, and in some cases as much as over two hundred pages of closely-printed matter.

It is not to be expected that one should consent, as a mere matter of favor, for any length of time, to gratuitously give his labor in the preparation of such reports. Unless they are skilfully and carefully prepared, their usefulness is materially lessened. I therefore recommend that the chairman of this committee shall be a salaried officer.

JURISDICTION.

With us a Mason can be a member of only one Lodge, in Virginia of two or more. During the year a Mason in this State, while in Virginia, united himself with a Lodge in that State. I directed that charges be preferred against him, which was done. The Grand Master of Virginia very courteously wrote and inquired what could be done in the matter, manifesting a fraternal disposition to avoid all clash between the two jurisdictions. I informed him that by the brother withdrawing from the Lodge in Virginia, and appearing before his Lodge in this State, that he would doubtless be allowed, upon complying with our law, to secure a dimit. As he was then living in Virginia, he desired to pursue this course. His Lodge, upon investigation, being satisfied that he was not guilty of any wilful violation of our law, permitted him to dimit, and thus all trouble was avoided.

FRATERNAL COURTESIES.

During the present year the following representatives have been appointed for the positions indicated: Henry F. Grainger, J. G. W., representative near this Grand Lodge from the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island; Joseph L. Dyer, our representative near that body; John P. Sanborn, our representative near Grand Lodge of Rhode Island; Michaël Nisbet, R. W. Grand Master, our representative near Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

During the past week, upon the invitation of the R. W. Grand Master, I had the pleasure of visiting the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and also of witnessing their work. I was received by the brethren with that fraternal consideration which you might expect from such a distinguished body of Masons.

I was presented during the year, by the Grand Marshal, Bro. Wood, with a beautiful crown of Washington, Marshall, LaFayette, and other distinguished Revolutionary Masons, which I have had framed and hung up at the Orphan Asylum.

I received an invitation to be present and aid the Grand Master of South Carolina in laying the corner stone to the monument of the Bat-

tle of King's Mountain. Not being able to attend, I appointed Bro. ——— as Deputy Grand Master, who worthily represented this grand jurisdiction.

Last August I received a second invitation from the Grand Master of South Carolina to meet the Grand Masters of the thirteen original States at Spartanburg, and assist in the erection of a monument in honor of the centennial anniversary of the battle of Cowpens. Combined with this was an invitation to attend the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of King's Mountain. Arriving at Spartanburg on the morning of the day indicated, I ascertained that the celebration would not take place until 8½ o'clock at night, and that the M. W. Grand Master would not arrive until 8 o'clock p. m. Going to the depot I accidentally met the M. W. Grand Masters of Connecticut and Georgia, who, I ascertained, were the only Grand Masters from abroad; they informed me that, though arriving the preceding day, they had been met by no members of the brotherhood. We therefore concluded to attend the celebration of King's Mountain, and I did not return to participate in the nocturnal celebration at Spartanburg.

DEDICATIONS.

I am gratified to see the practice of laying corner stones of churches and public buildings with Masonic ceremonies on the increase. I have not been able to attend on all such occasions when requested. I have, however, been efficiently aided by brethren who were specially appointed to attend to these duties.

Finally, brethren, in returning into your keeping the jewel with which you have so greatly honored me, permit me to express my high appreciation of your kindness and forbearance during the past two years. Besides submitting to my short-comings and rulings without complaint, you have ever accorded me a cordial and zealous support. The remembrance of your forbearance, fraternal affection and uniform courtesy will ever be fondly and affectionately cherished by me. I invoke for my successor a continuance of your favor, and that the same fraternal intercourse that characterized your last assembling may prevail during this session, and that each one of you may

“So live, that when the summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan that moves
To the pale realms of shade,

* * * * *

Thou go not like the quarry slave at night
Scourged to his dungeon; but sustained and soothed
By unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.”

Fraternally,

WILLIAM R. COX,

Grand Master.

The same was referred, as required by the Code, to a special committee, which the Grand Master appointed as follows :

Bre. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., Thomas S. Kenan, P. D. G. M., and James C. MacRae.

The Grand Secretary submitted his report, which was read and referred to the committee on the accounts and report of that officer.

REPORT :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

BRETHREN : After another year's correspondence with the Lodges, and an extensive personal intercourse with the brethren, I am able to report a measure of improvement in many of the Lodges.

There seems to be an increased desire for greater enlightenment touching the mode of working, as to special features, and the law in relation thereto. This is apparent to a gratifying degree from the increased correspondence with this office. The membership of the Lodges, though considerably diminished since the year 1874, by exclusion for non-payment of dues, has been gradually regulating itself to a healthful status and a more harmonious system of working. This more than counterbalances the reduction of revenue produced by the loss of members.

I briefly state some of the transactions of this office during the year. Two Lodges were established under the dispensation of the Grand Master, viz :

Jan. 17, MARS HILL, at Mars Hill, Madison county.

Feb. 17, OLIVE BRANCH, at Garner's Station, Wake county.

The two Lodges receiving charters at the last Annual Communication, Mt. Pisgah, No. 368, Chatham county, and Air-Line, No. 369, Gastonia, Gaston county, proceeded promptly to work under the organization as required by the constitution.

The charters of Haw River Lodge, No. 225, Guilford county, and Rehoboth Lodge, No. 279, Duplin county, have been restored to them, and they have resumed work. Official information has been received that Johnston Caswell Lodge, No. 10, Warrenton, has ceased work, and the property has been demanded by the Grand Master. The following Lodges have, under the Code, forfeited their charters by failure to make returns and pay dues to the Grand Lodge for two or more years, viz :

LaFayette, No. 83, Jacksonville, Onslow county ; Logan, No. 121, Jamestown, Guilford county ; Mount Vernon, No. 143, Chatham county ;

Saint Pauls, No. 166, Pender county. Eureka Lodge, No. 188, Alamance county, has lost its entire property by fire, and all efforts to resuscitate it have failed.

REVENUE.

I have received during the year the sum of three thousand three hundred and ninety-one dollars from sources as follows, viz :

Dues from Lodges, for 1879, and previous years,.....	\$ 3,322	50
Charters, deducting Grand Secretary's fees,.....	38	
Dispensations, deducting Grand Secretary's fees,.....	18	
Sales of the Code,.....	10	
Sales of Proceedings,	50	
Dues from member of extinct Lodge,.....	2	
Total,.....	\$ 3,391	00

This amount has been paid to the Grand Treasurer, for which I have his receipts.

My books are ready for the examination of the committee that is to be appointed for that purpose.

MEMBERS OF EXTINGUISHED LODGES.

Sec. 2, of Article VI. of the By-Laws and Edicts, as set forth on page 22 of the Code, provides as follows :

"When a Lodge has forfeited its charter and sent its records to the Grand Secretary, the former members of such Lodge, before uniting with another Lodge, or petitioning for a dispensation for a new Lodge, shall be provided by the Grand Secretary with a certificate of their having formerly belonged to such Lodge, on receipt by him of all dues shown by such records to be owing by them to their former Lodge."

The question is presented : does this apply to members who had been excluded and so remained at the time the charter was surrendered?

Sec. 12, page 33 of the Code, places an *excluded* member in a non-affiliated relation, and provides that he can be reinstated only in the manner prescribed by the By-Laws of the Lodge; but it fails to provide the mode of reinstatement after the By-Laws become inoperative by reason of the surrender of the charter.

Again, applications have been made for certificates of membership under Sec. 2, above referred to, in cases where the records of Lodges had been destroyed. These could not be given in view of the plain provisions of the law controlling the Grand Secretary's duty. This matter is presented for your consideration.

RETURNS OF LODGES.

An improved blank for annual returns has been provided, which, containing more elaborate and specific suggestions, enables Secretaries of Lodges to prepare more complete and satisfactory returns. The returns thus far received show improvement in this respect. Promptness

is, however, earnestly commended to Secretaries who have yet to appreciate the great importance, both to their respective Lodges and this Body, of fully complying with the law which points out their duty in this respect.

SUSPENSIONS, EXPULSIONS, &C.

The quarterly circulars issued from this office during the year reported eight suspensions, six expulsions and two reinstatements. Copies of the circulars are herewith filed as a special report.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.

Forty bound volumes have been added to the Library. The number of volumes now on the shelves is more than four hundred. The Library possesses considerable value, and is of much interest to the Grand Lodge. I recommend that it be insured against loss by fire. Many of the most valuable and interesting volumes could not be replaced, if destroyed, except probably in some instances, at an extravagant price.

Fraternally submitted,

D. W. BAIN,
Grand Secretary.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his report, which was read and referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims :

REPORT :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

W. E. ANDERSON, GRAND TREASURER,

In account with the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

DR.		
To amount on hand last report, December 2d, 1879,.....	\$	463 14
" amount received from Grand Secretary for past Masonic year;.....		3,391
	\$	3,854 14

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1879.	By amounts expended as follows :		
Dec. 4	Seth Nowell, removing effects of Grand Lodge,....		75
"	Raleigh News, publishing ninety-third annual communication,.....	\$	5
"	C. H. Robinson, Junior Grand Deacon, attendance on Grand Communication,.....		14
"	W. H. Smith, Grand Pursuivant, attendance on Grand Communication,.....		9
"	John W. Cotten, Grand Marshal, attendance on Grand Communication,.....		14 10
"	C. W. Alexander, Senior Grand Warden, attendance on Grand Communication,.....		16 80
9	S. M. Parish, painting for Grand Lodge,.....		1
10	Miles Goodwin, Grand Tiler, services, servant hire, &c.,.....		38 10
"	W. W. Holden, P. M., postage, &c.,.....		6 48
11	John L. Harrison, work done for Grand Lodge,...		6 95
13	Observer newspaper, 200 copies of daily,.....		8
15	John Nichols, printing circulars, &c.,.....		6 50
16	G. Rosenthal, Asst. Grand Secretary, services,.....		25
"	Ferrell, Booker & Co., printing for Grand Lodge,.....		10 25
17	D. W. Bain, Grand Secretary, postage stamps,.....		3
"	W. W. Holden, P. M., postage stamps for Grand Master,.....		3
18	Observer newspaper, advertising 93d annual communication,.....		5
26	W. H. & R. S. Tucker, 60 yards carpeting,.....		45
1880.			
Jan 23	J. H. Mills, on account Oxford Orphan Asylum,...	1,000	
Feb. 2	Pescud & Son, insurance on Asylum buildings,....	54	
20	Southern Express Co., freight on parcel of papers,.....		25
Mar 22	O'Kelly & Baker, hire carriage for Miss Anderson, collecting for Asylum,.....		5 60
"	North Carolina Home Insurance Co., insurance on Asylum buildings,.....		25 50
Mar 22	Germania Insurance Co., insurance on Asylum buildings,.....		8 50
30	J. H. Mills, Sup't., on account Orphan Asylum,...	500	
Apl 15	W. H. Ferrell, 1000 reports committee on Orphan Asylum,.....		5
16	Uzzell & Wiley, printing proceedings of annual communication 1879,.....		188 32
20	W. W. Holden, P. M., stamps for Grand Master's office,.....		3
May 10	W. W. Holden, P. M., postage for Grand Secretary's office,.....		51 84
23	Uzzell & Wiley, wrappers and cards,.....		1 25
Jun 22	Grand Master, for Grand Master's apron and traveling expenses,.....		15
22	Seth Nowell, hauling for Grand Secretary,.....		80
22	A. Williams & Co., stationery for Grand Lodge,...		6 45
Amount carried forward,.....		\$	2,083 44

	Amount brought forward.....	\$ 2,083'44
Ju'y 12	C. C. Clawson, frame and glass for Orphan Asylum.....	2 75
Oct 19	W. W. Holden, P. M., account for postage.....	9 60
Nov. 6	Uzzell & Wiley, printing certificates, credentials, &c.,.....	8
13	F. H. Busbee, Private Secretary to Grand Master, services for current year,.....	25
Dec. 7	J. H. Mills, Sup't., balance appropriation Orphan Asylum,.....	500
"	D. W. Bain, Grand Secretary, salary for Masonic year 1879,	700
"	Compensation to Grand Treasurer past Masonic year,	150
"	Balance carried forward to new Masonic year,.....	375 35
		\$ 3,854'41

I have to report that, under the arrangement made at the last Grand Communication, the interest on the one thousand-dollar bond devised by the late Hon. B. F. Moore, is regularly collected quarterly, and paid over to the Superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, as will appear by reference to his report. The amounts do not appear in the Grand Treasurer's report, as it is in no wise a part of his receipts; but he is merely the channel through which the interest is to be collected, and the custodian of the bond, which is a registered U. S. Bond, and stands on the books of the United States' Treasury Department, registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. This bond will become due before the Grand Lodge meets again, and will probably be "called" by the United States Government for payment, in which case the investment will have to be changed, or will cease to bear interest. I respectfully recommend that the Grand Lodge either designate a new investment in case the bond be called, or appoint a committee authorized to receive the money for the bond when called, and to make the best investment of it practicable.

There have been no accessions to the fund for the permanent endowment of the Oxford Orphan Asylum since my last report.

I have kept the buildings of the Orphan Asylum at Oxford insured as heretofore in the sum of ten thousand dollars, and have paid the premiums out of the general fund of the Grand Lodge. There is no resolution of the Grand Lodge authorizing the Grand Treasurer to keep these buildings insured; but as it has been done in this way for many years, I have thought it best to continue such insurance, and respectfully recommend that this Grand Lodge pass a resolution authorizing the Grand Treasurer, or some other person, to keep the Asylum buildings under insurance.

As Chairman of the Committee on Printing, I respectfully report that as usual, bids were asked for the printing of the proceedings of the

last Grand Lodge, and awarded to Messrs. Uzzell & Wiley, the lowest bidders, who have executed the job in a neat and workman-like manner.

I have paid the Superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum the whole amount of two thousand dollars, appropriated by the last Grand Lodge, as will appear by the vouchers filed with my accounts.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. ANDERSON,
Grand Treasurer.

Bro. F. H. Busbee introduced the following amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge :

Resolved by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, (two-thirds of the Subordinate Lodges concurring) That the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina be amended as follows :

ARTICLE II.

Insert after Section 2,

Section 3. A Deputy Grand Master shall be annually chosen in the same manner and by the same vote as required in the election of Grand Master.

In Section 4 strike out the words "*his Deputy and.*"

Sections 3 to 7 shall be numbered 4 to 8 inclusive.

The same was read and postponed for consideration one day under the Code.

Bro. A. M. Noble introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted :

Resolved, That the Grand Lecturers shall exemplify the work of Ancient Craft Masonry to-morrow at 10.30 o'clock.

Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., introduced the following amendment to the Code :

Resolved, That Section 1 of Article XVIII (page 41) of the Code, be so amended as to read : *Shall not visit a Lodge, or join in Masonic processions, or receive Masonic relief, assistance or burial.*

The same was read and postponed one day under the Code.

Bro. J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum, submitted his report, which was read and referred to the Committee on the Orphan Asylum.

REPORT :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

At the last Annual Communication, one hundred and thirty-eight orphans were reported present. Since that report, sixty-two have been admitted, making two hundred in attendance during a part of the year, and five hundred and seventy-eight since the opening of the institution. Since the last report, fifty-seven have been discharged, all finding honorable, and many of them lucrative, employment. Four have been adopted by childless couples, amply able and willing to do well for them. Two ran away, because they were no longer willing to be properly restrained. Three have died. The present number is one hundred and thirty-four. The children had whooping cough and measles during the winter and spring, and these diseases, though not fatal, left many of them in a very feeble condition. In the summer, a little Indian boy had typhoid fever, and then congestion of the brain. These combined diseases baffled nursing and medical skill, and he died on the 28th of August. Rev. J. R. Griffith, of the N. C. Conference, preached his funeral sermon, and he was laid away till the morning of the resurrection.

The health of the children then improved till the fall, when vast quantities of acorns began to drop from the oaks in the grove. Many of the orphans have inherited corrupt tastes from diseased and dissipated parents. Though our bill of fare was rather better than usual, they began to eat acorns, and before we knew the cause of their suffering, about twenty of them were exceedingly emaciated from diseased stomachs. William Turner, who had never been well, lingered several weeks, and died on the 14th of October. Rev. J. W. Primrose performed his funeral rites, and he now rests from all diseases of the body. Miranda Underwood suffered from the same disease till December 3rd, when death also came to her relief. Rev. F. R. Underwood attended her funeral, and as the ground enclosed was already occupied, it is now necessary to enclose additional space. Several other orphans are still feeble from disease induced by acorns; but we hope, by constant attention, to see them restored to health. It is a little remarkable that death first chose a boy from Jackson, far away in the west, then a boy from Chowan, near the roaring ocean, and then a girl from Wake, near the centre of the State.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Hospital has been plastered, and has received another coat of paint on the inside and outside, and its general appearance very much improved. A large and commodious shelter, with hay loft above, has been built for the cows. On a corner of the grove we built a carpenter's shop of ample size, and found it very useful in making tables,

benches and wardrobes for the dormitories. Iron bedsteads have also supplanted the wooden ones in most of the rooms. The main building has been whitewashed and painted as needed. Every year we have incurred heavy expense on account of broken glass. We therefore made the experiment of a few outside blinds, mainly to protect the glass, and found them both comfortable and economical. Blinds have therefore been put on the windows of the first and second stories, and on most of the third story windows, and blinds sufficient for the remaining windows are made and awaiting transportation. We therefore feel at liberty to report the buildings and premises generally in good condition.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts since last report to Dec. 4th, inclusive,.....	\$ 12,161.75
Disbursed during same time,.....	12,015.67
Leaving in hand,.....	\$ 146.08

The amount left in Grand Treasury last year remains there still, as we have been able to do without it, and desired to use it on the buildings to be erected. The foregoing statement includes the receipts and disbursements for the *Orphans' Friend*. The disbursements are larger than usual, partly because want of rain in summer compelled us to buy vegetables, partly because we increased the comforts of the dormitories, and because the average attendance has been greater than usual.

ENLARGEMENT.

The time has now arrived when the girls are ready to occupy the present buildings, and other accommodations, for the boys, are absolutely necessary. Houses must be bought, or built. There are three arguments in favor of erecting them on the same premises :

1. One concentrated supervision would secure uniform treatment and management. And yet we ought to remember that, while one person may superintend the education of hundreds of young men able to take care of themselves and anxious to secure scholastic advantages, one man can not properly superintend more than a hundred little children who must be wisely taught, judiciously fed, and comfortably clothed. Besides, Masonry teaches that our illustrious Past Grand Master, King Solomon, in building the Temple at Jerusalem, employed one over-seer for every five workmen, and one captain for every five over-seers. The wisdom of Solomon was a gift coming down from Heaven, and its excellence has been confirmed and illustrated by the experience of every succeeding generation. One teacher for every twenty-five children, and some additional officers, will still be required. But when all are together, there will be one set of regulations, and one government.

2. In some respects, also, the same fixtures (the chapel for example) will answer as well for two hundred as for one hundred, and thus economy will be promoted by having all on the same premises.

3. When the boys and girls are together, one sex is often able to help the other, to divide the labor, and so avoid the heavy expense of hiring. Heretofore our orphans have generally performed the labor of about eight hands.

There are likewise three arguments in favor of building on other premises :

1. When boys and girls are separated, each individual may remain until the best time for a discharge, whereas with the present arrangement it has often been necessary to discharge them at an age when they were unprepared to meet temptations and trials of ordinary life. On the present premises, we are compelled, on one side, to restrain the boys from intrusion on the play-grounds and departments of the girls, and on the other, to give them very limited access to a village in which intoxicating liquors are sold and given away. Every unnecessary restraint (even upon a poor orphan) is tyranny, and the blindest people in the world are those who do not wish to see. For these reasons we have not always succeeded in making the boys see how their circumstances required so much restraint. On other premises we could exercise complete control, and yet allow them an increase of liberty.

2. Another argument is that Oxford is located near the centre of the bright tobacco section of the State, and the farmers buy, instead of selling, provisions. We are frequently compelled to transport our supplies more than a hundred miles. Our freight bills are very heavy, and wood and coal and teams quite expensive. If, therefore, buildings for the boys should be erected on a rich and grain-growing farm, supplied with wood and water, the orphans could be supported on a smaller outlay, and buildings erected at less expense. And besides, this need of additional buildings occurs just at a time when building lots are in demand in Oxford, and when land not likely to be needed at any future time can be sold for a good price, and the money advantageously invested in land more accessible and better adapted to our necessities.

3. In Oxford, we have only one daily mail. A letter from Statesville spends a night in Salisbury, and another in Raleigh. A letter from Wilson spends a night in Henderson. And when our mails at last arrive, it is closed before we can reply to letters. If we had one office where better mail facilities are enjoyed, our business could be transacted with greater promptness and dispatch. *The Orphans' Friend* would, of necessity, go with the boys, and improved mail facilities always benefit a paper.

ORPHANS' FRIEND.

Many brethren voted to resume the publication of *The Orphans' Friend*, and then forgot to write for it, and (stranger still) to subscribe for it.

The present circulation is sixteen hundred and eighty copies. With a little effort on the part of the Masons of the State, the subscription list might be doubled, and the paper would be worth more to their families than the dollar they pay for it. But we ought to have a larger press, and do job work for others as well as for the Orphan Asylum. During the next year we may (with the help of friends) be able to buy a press and other material needed.

The books and vouchers are present, and ready for inspection.

The Grand Master and other officers of the Grand Lodge have cheerfully rendered needed assistance.

Dr. S. D. Booth has been regular and assiduous in his unrewarded attention to our sick.

We are under renewed obligations to many Subordinate Lodges for hearty coöperation; to our charitable people, to churches of various denominations, to other benevolent societies and to liberal individuals for material assistance; to many friends for way-side kindness to our orphans, and to our brethren T. B. Hyman, W. T. Whitfield, and Miles Goodwin for special attention to those passing through Goldboro, Weldon and Raleigh. Several colored people have also made contributions during the year, and our friend, John O'Kelly, has kindly furnished free transportation to our orphans in Raleigh. To all these, and especially to our bountiful Benefactor, who has blessed the earth with fruitful seasons, and inclined hearts of the prosperous to imitate and illustrate divine sympathy for the poor and needy, we should ever remain profoundly grateful for the mercies already received, and for the precious promises of help and guidance in the future.

J. H. MILLS,
Superintendent.

The following standing committees were announced :

On Charters and Dispensations :

Bros. James C. Munds, Samuel H. Rountree, P. J. G. W., and R. W. King.

On Unfinished Business :

Bros. W. H. Mitchell, George S. Baker, and F. H. Glover.

And the following special committees :

On Appeals :

Bros. John McCormick, P. G. M., W. R. Kenan, and W. F. Loftin.

On the Orphan Asylum :

Bros. George W. Blount, P. G. M., A. H. A. Williams, James A. Leach, W. R. Kenan, J. B. Angle, W. H. Avera, H. W. Reinhart.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK,
December 8th, A. L. 5880, A. D. 1880.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor. The proceedings of last evening's session were read and approved.

Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., from the Committee on the Grand Master's address, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The committee to whom the Grand Master's Address was referred, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend,

1st. That so much of said address as refers to a digest of decisions of Grand Masters, be referred to a special committee of three.

2d. That the portion concerning decision as to non-affiliates, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

3d. That the portion concerning the Orphan Asylum, be referred to the Committee on Orphan Asylum.

4th. That the recommendation as to change of time for holding Grand Communication, be referred to a special committee of nine.

5th. That the recommendation, to make the Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence a salaried officer, be referred to a special committee of three.

6th. That so much as alludes to the death of M. W., Bro. P. W. Fanning, Past Grand Master, be referred to a committee of three.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. MUNSON,
T. S. KENAN,
J. C. MACRAE,

Committee.

Bro. George W. Blount, P. G. M., introduced the following resolutions, which were read and, on motion of Bro. John McCormick, P. G. M., referred to the Committee on Orphan Asylum :

Resolved, 1. The Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum shall not consider any application for an orphan until the same has been approved and endorsed by the Orphan-Asylum Committee of the Lodge in whose jurisdiction the applicant resides.

2. It shall be the duty of the said committee to make due inquiry into the desirableness of the situation offered, before endorsing an application; and also to inquire into the circumstances and treatment of children already discharged, and living in their jurisdiction, and use their best efforts to secure good treatment, or the return of the children.

3. It shall be the duty of every secretary of a Lodge to send the names of the Committee of the Orphan Asylum to the *Orphans' Friend* for publication, in order that persons wishing to employ orphans may know the steps to be taken.

Bros. R. T. Stephensen, Dudley Peed, and B. W. Hatcher were announced as the standing committee No. 3, on Suspensions and Expulsions, in the absence of members of said committee previously appointed.

Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., from the standing committee No. 2, on Suspensions and Expulsions, submitted the following report, which was read :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Your Committee No. 2, on Suspensions and Expulsions, beg leave to report the examination of cases from Lodges as follows :

Mount Lebanon, No. 117, *vs.* Samuel B. Farmer, for habitual drunkenness and refusing to receive advice from a committee appointed by said Lodge : sentence, indefinite suspension by a unanimous vote. Your Committee recommend that the action of said Lodge be confirmed.

Cedar Fork, No. 342, *vs.* Thomas F. Bowen, for illegally living with a Master Mason's wife, also drunkenness and profanity: sentence, expulsion by a unanimous vote. Your Committee coincide.

Concord, No. 58, *vs.* Wm. Gray, for a difficulty with a brother member, refuses to be reconciled, and leaves his case in the hands of the Lodge : sentence, expulsion. Your Committee, with no more of the facts than are embodied in the proceedings sent up for review, are unwilling to recommend either an affirmation of, or non-concurrence with, the action of said Lodge, and therefore report the facts for your decision.

Lock's Creek, No. 333, *vs.* Almon Godwin, for seduction; sentence, indefinite suspension. Concurred in.

Eureka, No. 283, *vs.* Benton Ludwick, for abandoning wife and family, also seduction: sentence, expulsion. Committee concur.

Same Lodge, *vs.* J. M. Siffert, for habitual drunkenness ; sentence, expulsion by a unanimous vote. Committee concur.

Same Lodge *vs.* A. H. Edmiston, for disobedience of summons : sentence, indefinite suspension. The record not showing that the same was served upon Bro. Edmiston, recommend that it be remanded to said Lodge for correction, or a new trial.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. MUNSON,
JAS. C. MACRAE,
J. A. LEACH,
Committee.

Pending the consideration of the report, the special order for 10.30 o'clock, being the exculpation of the work, was announced.

The work in the Entered Apprentice degree was exemplified by Bros. B. W. Hatcher and Dudley Peed, Grand Lecturers, assisted by Bros. E. Rose, R. J. Noble, and A. L. Parker.

Committees were announced as follows :

STANDING :

On Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges :

No. 1.—Bros. W. N. Benton, H. J. Harris, and W. J. Weir.

No. 2.—Bros. James Redmond, J. G. Langston, and B. H. Davis.

No. 3.—Bros. R. E. Weathersbee, T. D. Clement, and W. B. Farrar.

On Accounts and Claims :

Bros. J. B. Neathery, W. R. Stephenson, and T. L. Emry.

On Grand Secretary's Books and Report :

Bros. H. H. Munson, B. W. Brown, and J. M. Fleming.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES ON SUBJECTS MENTIONED IN THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS :

On Digest of Decisions of Grand Masters :

Bros. J. C. MacRae, E. A. Wright, and C. S. Wooten.

On change of time for holding Annual Communication of Grand Lodge :

Bros. J. G. Ramsay, P. D. G. M., E. H. Green, Samuel H. Smith, John Armstrong, H. A. Gudger, F. H. Busbee, C. T. Barwick, N. E. Cox, and W. D. Stokes.

On Allowing Compensation to the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence :

Bros. Eugene Grissom, P. D. G. M., W. R. Kenan, and F. H. Busbee.

On the death of M. W., Phineas W. Fanning, Past Grand Master :

Bros. George W. Blount, John McCormick, and Horace H. Munson, P. G. Ms.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 3 O'CLOCK,
December 8th, A. L. 5880, A. D. 1880.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

Reports of Standing Committees were presented as follows, and adopted :

On Unfinished Business :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Unfinished Business report the following subjects to be considered :

The advisability of establishing an insurance feature, on which a committee was appointed, and continued to report at this communication. (See page 41 Proceedings of last Grand Communication.)

A committee was appointed to investigate and report upon the matters in regard to Masonic Temple Association. (See page 43 Proceedings of last Grand Communication.)

We find no further unfinished business. We have examined the records of the Grand Secretary, and commend the accuracy and neatness with which they are kept.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

WM. H. MITCHELL,
F. H. GLOVER,
Committee.

No. 1, on Suspensions and Expulsions :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Suspensions and Expulsions No. 1, has received the transcripts of cases to it submitted, and begs leave to report that the action of the Lodges in the cases below enumerated is confirmed.

It is found that the report in the case from Lee Lodge, No. 253, is somewhat informal in that, while authority seems to have been given and notice issued to take testimony outside of the Lodge, and that testimony seems to have been had, it is not reported as taken. The offence charged is flagrant, the testimony conclusive, and the punishment just. So we approve with this suggestion that when this kind of testimony is necessary, there should be a report as to its having been taken with same formality, as if taken in Lodge.

The following are the cases reviewed :

Lee Lodge, No. 253, *vs.* G. S. Watts, charge, abandonment of wife, &c.; sentence, expulsion. Sustained.

Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75, *vs.* John W. Halstead, charge, wilful disobedience of summons: indefinite suspension. Sustained.

Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75, *vs.* David McCoy, charge, wilful disobedience of summons: indefinite suspension. Sustained.

Beulah Lodge, No. 257, *vs.* W. H. Blackman, charge, fraudulent practice in water-packing cotton: sentence, expulsion. Sustained.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

G. W. BLOUNT,
For Committee.

On Charters and Dispensations :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations have examined the proceedings of the following Lodges U. D., viz :

Mars Hill Lodge, Olive Branch Lodge, and recommend that charters be issued to them. Proceedings of Bethel Lodge U. D. have also been examined; but we notice an irregularity in the proceedings, viz :

At one regular meeting they elected a candidate for the degrees, and at the next regular meeting they ordered a second ballot, when the candidate was rejected. The Committee regard this action as virtually a reconsideration of the ballot, and in violation of Sec. 11 Article X. of the Code. Yet as the Lodge has endeavored to regulate its work generally by the laws of the Grand Lodge as far as your Committee can perceive, with the exception mentioned, by the records before them, they recommend that a charter be granted.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES C. MUNDS,
SAM'L. H. ROUNTREE,
R. W. KING,

Committee.

Charters were issued with names and numbers as follows, bearing date December 8th :

Mars Hill, in Madison county, No. 370.

Olive Branch, in Wake county, No. 371.

Bethel, in Anson county, No. 372.

*On Grand Secretary's Books and Report :**To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :*

Your Committee on Grand Secretary's books beg leave to report due examination thereof, and find they correspond with his report as submitted to this Grand Lodge.

We recommend that interrogatories Nos. 1, 2 and 3, in his report, be referred to Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

We recommend that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to insure the Grand Lodge Library.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. MUNSON,
B. W. BROWN,
JOHN M. FLEMING,
Committee.

*No. 1, on Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges :**To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :*

Your Committee No. 1, on Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges, have examined the returns from forty-nine Lodges, and find them correct except American George, No. 17, Concord, No. 58, Kilwinning, No. 64, Greensboro, No. 76, Warren, No. 101, Belmont, No. 108, Clinton, No. 124, Junaluska, No. 145, which have no date of charter.

Scotland Neck, No. 68, Wake Forest, No. 97, Blackmer, No. 127, have no seal.

Fraternally submitted,

W. N. BENTON,
H. J. HARRISS, SR.,
W. J. WEIR,
Committee.

*No. 2, on Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges :**To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :*

Your Committee No. 2, on Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges, have examined the returns of fifty-four Lodges, and find them correct except Cary Lodge, No. 198, Stokesburg, No. 220, County Line, No. 224, Corinthian, No. 230, Cokesbury, No. 235, Waynesville, No. 259, Granite, No. 191, which are without date of Charter. Find returns of Jonesville Lodge, No. 227, are without Lodge seal; George Washington Lodge, No. 174, without seal and date of charter.

Fraternally submitted,

J. G. LANGSTON,
B. H. DAVIS,
Committee.

No. 3, on Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Your Committee No. 3, on Work, Proceedings and Returns of Subordinate Lodges, have examined the returns from sixty-one Lodges, and find them correct except East LaPort Lodge, No. 358, Rock Spring Lodge, No. 341, Hickory Lodge, No. 344; which are without date or charter. Patterson Lodge, No. 307, Edgecombe Lodge, No. 298, are without date of charter. Acacia Lodge, No. 361, without the seal.

Fraternally submitted,

R. E. WEATHERSBEE,
W. B. FARRAR,

Committee.

Reports of special committees were submitted as follows, and adopted :

On Appeals :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Appeals have examined the following cases, and beg leave to submit their report :

1st. Harmony Lodge, No. 340, against Brother Monroe Lancaster, sentence, expulsion. Action of the Lodge confirmed.

2d. Mingo Lodge, No. 206, against Brother David B. Dawson, sentence of the Lodge, indefinite suspension. Action of the Lodge confirmed.

3d. Eureka Lodge, No. 283, against Brother John I. Patterson, sentence, suspension for twelve months from the 25th day of September. 1880. Action of the Lodge reversed.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend to Eureka Lodge, No. 283, a more careful study of the principles of A. F. & A. Masonry,
Respectfully submitted,

J. McCORMICK,
W. R. KENAN,
W. F. LOFTIN,

Committee.

On Recommendation of Grand Master as to Digest of Decisions of Grand Masters :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The undersigned, a committee appointed by your Most Worshipful Body upon a digest of the decisions of the Grand Masters, respectfully report the following resolution, and recommend that the same be adopted :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be directed to digest the decisions of the Grand Masters, and publish the same with such changes of our Masonic Code as may have been made since its adoption, and that the Subordinate Lodges be furnished with copies of the said publication.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES C. MACRAE,
C. L. WOOTEN,
E. A. WRIGHT,
Committee.

On Orphan Asylum :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on the Orphan Asylum beg leave to report,

That the address of the Grand Master, and the report of the Superintendent in regard to the conduct of the affairs of the Orphan Asylum, together with the important suggestions made for future management, have been carefully considered by the committee. We are constrained to say, that the experience of years in the good work, makes us more proud of the undertaking, and more determined to push to greater lengths our efforts in aiding the unfortunate of the State we have in hand. Ours is the protection of the orphan, that fills our whole soul and demands our utmost energy. There are those who cry for help who are not orphans—the *deserted*. We think a separate organization should open to receive them, and now call attention to them and their claims, promising our coöperation with any other organization who will start a *home* for their aid.

1. We return thanks for the earnest, liberal coöperation of all other organizations, civil and religious, in our great work. The aid received has been of great benefit in extending and promoting the cause.

2. We recommend the appropriation of two thousand dollars for its support, from the funds of the Grand Lodge, to be paid to the Superintendent whenever and in whatever sums he may require.

3. We recommend the further continuance of the *Orphans' Friend* as a valuable auxiliary to the work, and that the printing of the Grand Lodge be given to it for the ensuing year, under supervision of the committee on printing, to enable it to supply needed material for more extended usefulness, and that the accounts of the *Orphans' Friend* be kept separate and distinct from the general fund account of the Asylum; but that the proceeds may be used by the Superintendent for general benefit.

4. To meet the recommendation of the Grand Master, we recommend the appointment by the Grand Master of an auditing committee, composed of discreet brethren near the Asylum, who shall have power to look into the conduct of affairs, and audit the accounts monthly for each year. We find the labor of an exact and precise examination of

those accounts too great for a committee during the session of the Grand Lodge.

5. We have given to the examination of receipts and disbursements that care which our limited time permits, and find fidelity and accuracy throughout: one mistake only, and that against the Superintendent. He paid sixty-five dollars for a wagon, and gives himself credit for sixty-five cents, that by inadvertence of accountant. The balance, therefore, we find in hand due the Asylum to be \$81.73, and we have corrected the books so that they may speak the truth.

6. That the Grand Master continue to insure the property of the Grand Lodge in Orphan Asylum against loss by fire.

7. That in consideration of the suggestions of the Superintendent and Grand Master, the committee approve the idea of a separation of the sexes; not from any actual dereliction, but from abundant caution. The extended work, both for the present and future, demands more extensive buildings and grounds. Many propositions have been made for the accommodation of this idea; many more may be. We therefore recommend that the matter be referred to a select committee, consisting of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Superintendent and three discreet brethren, to be named by the Grand Master, who shall consider and decide the matter of a location for the male department, and to take immediate steps for the erection of suitable buildings on the grounds chosen, with all and singular the necessary powers for perfecting titles to same, and disposing of such of the vacant lands next to the town of Oxford, the property of this Grand Lodge, as may be deemed advisable, to aid in the purchase and improvement of the place for male department.

8. That the Superintendent may, in his discretion, give as high as \$12.50 for services of a house-keeper.

9. We recommend the adoption of resolutions to this committee referred, and designated as document No. 7. [Resolutions of George W. Blount introduced on Wednesday morning.]

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. BLOUNT,
H. W. REINHART,
W. R. KENAN,
JAMES A. LEACH,
J. B. ANGLE,
A. H. A. WILLIAMS,

Committee.

Bro. J. H. Mills introduced the following resolutions, which were read and adopted:

Whereas there are in our State many deserted children in need of protection and guidance; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That a house of refuge for deserted children might be now opened, and, if properly conducted, might relieve much distress

and suffering, and might save from degradation and ruin a large number of children.

2. That the Masons, having undertaken the conduct and management of a large Orphan Asylum, feel that they have assumed their full share of the benevolent work of the State, and can not, with propriety, take any additional responsibility.

3. That if any benevolent society, religious denomination, or any competent organization shall be willing to open a house of refuge for deserted children, we will give the enterprise our hearty approval, and will, as individuals, extend such coöperation as our opportunities and circumstances will justify.

Bro. W. R. Kenan, from the special committee to whom was referred the proposition to allow compensation to the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted the following report, which was read and rejected :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Your committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's address relating to Foreign Correspondence, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars per annum be paid the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE GRISSOM,
W. R. KENAN,
F. H. BUSBEE,

Committee.

Bro. James G. Ramsay, P. D. G. M., from the special committee to whom was referred the proposition to change the time of the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, submitted the following report :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address recommending a change in the time of the meeting of the Grand Lodge from December to January, have had the same under consideration, and by a majority vote decline to accede to the recommendation, and advise accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. RAMSAY,
Chairman.

The report was read.

Bro. Henry F. Grainger, J. G. W., introduced the following as a substitute for the recommendation of the committee :

Resolved, That Section 1, of Article IV, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, be amended so as to read as follows :

Section 1. The annual communications of the Grand Lodge shall be held in the city of Raleigh, on the third Tuesday of January in each and every year.

This amendment shall be in force from and after the first day of February, 1881.

On motion of Bro. B. F. Rogers the report and substitute were postponed until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The amendment of Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., to Section 1, of Article XVIII, (page 41) of the Code, introduced on last evening, was taken up for consideration.

Pending discussion the amendment was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until this evening at 8 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK,

December 8th, A. L. 5880, A. D. 1880.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

R. W., James H. Moore, P. J. G. W., appeared, and occupied his seat.

Bro. Bernice Walker was substituted for Bro. W. R. Stephenson on the Committee on Accounts and Claims, the latter being absent.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum and Grand Officers, under the superintendence of Bros. W. R. Kenan, B. F. Rogers, and W. H. Mitchell.

Bro. J. H. Mills was elected Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum.

Grand officers were elected as follows :

HENRY F. GRAINGER,GRAND MASTER.
 ROBERT BINGHAM,SENIOR GRAND WARDEN.
 CHARLES H. ROBINSON,JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN.
 WILLIAM E. ANDERSON,GRAND TREASURER.
 DONALD W. BAIN,GRAND SECRETARY.

Bro. B. W. Hatcher, from committee No. 3, on Suspensions and Expulsions, submitted the following report, which was read and postponed until to-morrow morning :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Committee No. 3, on Suspensions and Expulsions, beg leave to report that they have examined the case of A. G. Yancy, of Clinton Lodge, No. 107, charged with habitual drunkenness and unmasonic conduct. Sentence, expulsion. We find no error in this case, and we recommend the action of said Lodge be confirmed.

We further report that we have carefully examined the transcript and proceedings in the case of Bro. N. W. Barnes, of Palmyra Lodge, No. 147. Charges: gross unmasonic conduct. It appears to your committee that all the proceedings on the part of said Lodge were legally correct. The Bro. plead guilty to said charges. Judgment of said Lodge, suspension for twelve months. Your committee respectfully suggest that they do not think the punishment on the part of said Lodge commensurate with the crime. Your committee would respectfully recommend that, in order that the moral bearing of Masonry might be properly vindicated, said Bro. be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

We further report that we have carefully examined the proceedings of Hatcher Lodge, No. 310, in the case of C. B. Bailey and C. R. Bissett. Charges, gross unmasonic conduct, to-wit: A public fight. It appears to your committee that Bro. Bailey was the offender in said case. Judgment of Lodge: suspension of Bro. Bissett for six months, and indefinite suspension of Bro. Bailey. We respectfully suggest that the action of said Lodge be confirmed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

R. T. STEPHENSON,
 B. W. HATCHER,
 D. PEED,

Committee.

The amendment of Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., to Section 1, of Article XVIII of the Code, was taken up for consideration.

After discussion it was, on motion of Bro. B. F. Rogers, laid on the table.

On motion of Bro. J. A. Leach, the installation of Grand Officers was set apart as the special order for to-morrow at noon.

Bro. B. F. Rogers moved that a committee be appointed to inform the Grand Officers of their election, and secure the services of a Past Grand Master to install them at the hour designated.

The motion prevailed, and Bros. S. H. Rountree, P. J. G. W., J. A. Leach and B. F. Rogers were appointed the committee.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until to-morrow morning at 9.30 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING,
December 9th, A. L. 5880, A. D., 1880.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 10 o'clock.

The proceedings of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Bro. B. F. Rogers, from the committee to inform the Grand Officers elect of their election, and secure the services of a Past Grand Master to install them, reported that the duty assigned the committee had been performed, and that Past Grand Master, Horace H. Munson, would be present to install the Grand Officers at the appointed hour.

The special order, being the proposition to change the time of the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, was postponed.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the consideration of the report of Committee No. 3, on Suspensions and Expulsions.

Bro. J. C. L. Harris moved that a new trial be ordered in the case of N. W. Barnes from Palmyra Lodge, No. 147, and that the Grand Lodge recommend to the Lodge that, if the accused should be again convicted upon the facts as reported to the Grand Lodge, he be expelled.

The motion did not prevail. The report was postponed for further consideration.

Bro. Robert T. Gray, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted the report of the committee, which was ordered to be published as an appendix to these proceedings.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the consideration of the proposition to change the time of the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, and the report of the committee thereon.

The substitute of Bro. H. F. Grainger, J. G. W., for the report of the committee was read.

A vote by Lodges was demanded on its adoption, which resulted years 138, nays 111.

On motion of Bro. Eugene Grissom, P. D. G. M., the further consideration of the subject was postponed until Wednesday at 10 o'clock a. m., of the next Annual Communication.

The hour for the installation of Grand Officers having arrived, the Grand Master elect announced his appointments of Grand Officers.

The Grand Officers were then installed by M. W., Horace H. Munson, P. G. M., assisted by Bro. John W. Cotten, Grand Marshal, as follows :

ELECTED OFFICERS :

HENRY F. GRAINGER, GRAND MASTER.
 ROBERT BINGHAM, SENIOR GRAND WARDEN.
 CHARLES H. ROBINSON, JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN.
 WILLIAM E. ANDERSON, GRAND TREASURER.
 DONALD W. BAIN, GRAND SECRETARY.

APPOINTED OFFICERS :

JAMES W. REID, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
 (By Thomas S. Kenan, proxy.)
 P. T. PENICK, GRAND CHAPLAIN.
 (By E. H. Green, proxy.)
 WILLIAM T. KENNEDY, SENIOR GRAND DEACON.
 SAMUEL H. SMITH, JUNIOR GRAND DEACON.
 A. H. A. WILLIAMS, GRAND MARSHAL.

H. W. REINHART,.....GRAND SWORD BEARER.
 (By H. A. Gudger, proxy.)
 DRURY A. SUGG,.....GRAND PURSUIVANT.
 J. W. PEACOCK,.....GRAND STEWARD.
 J. B. ANGLE,.....GRAND STEWARD.
 MILES GOODWIN,.....GRAND TILER.

Bro. W. R. Kenan, from the special committee on Appeals, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Your Committee on Appeals beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the case of New Light Lodge, No. 215, against Bro. James M. Davis, charged with striking a brother Master Mason, and find the proceedings of the Lodge to be regular. Taking the record alone, as the basis on which to decide (and we believe we have no authority to go beyond it) we concur in the decision, and approve the sentence of the Lodge—indefinite suspension; but after having heard the counsel for both accused and Lodge, we feel constrained to ask the Grand Lodge to advise a suspension of the brother for a definite period.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN McCORMICK,
 W. R. KENAN,
 W. F. LOFTIN,

Committee.

The standing Committee on Accounts and Claims submitted their report as follows, which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Accounts and Claims, to which were referred the books and vouchers of W. E. Anderson, Grand Treasurer, beg to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find them correct in every particular.

Fraternally submitted,

J. B. NEATHERY,
 T. L. EMRY,
 B. WALKER,

Committee.

The Grand Lodge resumed consideration of report of committee No. 3, on Suspensions and Expulsions.

Bro. James C. MacRae moved that the vote by which the motion of Bro. J. C. L. Harris to remand the case of N. W. Barnes for a new trial was rejected, be reconsidered. The motion prevailed.

The question recurring on the motion of Bro. Harris, Bro. Thomas S. Kenan, P. D. G. M., introduced the following as a substitute :

1. The Grand Lodge refuses to confirm the action of the Subordinate Lodge in this case (N. W. Barnes) in so far as the punishment is concerned, and directs that, as an offence of such magnitude should be punished by expulsion, the Lodge proceed to change the sentence from that of suspension to expulsion.

2. That ten days notice be given the accused before action is taken, to show cause why the sentence should not be changed to expulsion.

The report, as amended, was adopted.

Bro. George W. Blount, P. G. M., from the special committee to prepare a memorial of Past Grand Master, Phineas W. Fanning, deceased, submitted the following, which was unanimously adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The committee appointed to draft memorial of Brother Past Grand Master Fanning, expressive of the esteem and fraternal regard of the Grand Lodge, beg leave to report that we have received the tidings of the death of this good man and Mason in great sorrow. We mourn his loss to the great Masonic world as one of the bright lights gone out ; we lament his departure as an exceeding great loss to our jurisdiction ; for he was one to whom we might look for counsel in hours of difficulty ; for aid in time of distress, and for fraternal sympathy and cordial love at all times.

The committee has read, with much pleasure, the tribute of respect for the memory of the late Phineas W. Fanning, prepared and adopted by St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of which he was a member. The work there was committed to hands who knew him intimately and were familiar with his inner life as man and Mason. We recommend that it be spread upon the minutes and printed with the proceedings as part of this *memorial to our beloved dead*, and that suitable memorial page be dedicated to his memory.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

G. W. BLOUNT,

For Committee.

The following is the memorial of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, referred to in foregoing report :

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, F. & A. M. :

Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions expressive of the high esteem and fraternal regard entertained by the members of this Lodge for our late Bro. P. W. FANNING, feel that something more than the ordinary expressions with which the memory of our departed brethren is usually honored, is due from the fraternity, and especially from this Lodge, for the zeal and fidelity with which he devoted his long Masonic life to the honor and interest of our institution ; the personal and pecuniary sacrifices that he incurred for the cause of Masonry ; and for the poor, whom he regarded as having claims for relief upon our order. The man who is cut down in the meridian of an active and useful life is much longer remembered and more sincerely regretted than he who survives his mental and physical abilities to serve his fellows. Such a man and his works are too often forgotten before his body is laid in the tomb. We therefore propose to place upon our records a brief sketch of the life, character and services of our venerable brother, that those who come after us, and feel an interest in the history of St. John's Lodge, and a desire to know something of the leading members of the olden time, may learn how much good has, and may again be done for the order, by one true and zealous Mason, and we regret that a subject abounding in interest and instruction to the Craft, must, of necessity, be presented in a manner so brief and imperfect. A volume would not be sufficient in which to fairly review the life, labors and character of this brother who devoted so large a portion of nearly three-score years to the most active and zealous labors for the interest and prosperity of this community, and especially for the honor and welfare of our institution.

In the preparation of what we propose to submit as our report, we shall confine ourselves more particularly to the Masonic life of our brother, as being of paramount interest to the Craft, very few of whom, among our members, can testify to his labors and sacrifices for, and his unbounded love of, Masonry, from their personal experience and observation. The records of the institution in every jurisdiction of this country and the Masonic papers and periodicals, abound in evidences of his Masonic knowledge and his advocacy of the true principles of the order, and to those we must content ourselves by referring all who are anxiously seeking "Masonic light" through reliable sources. The most that we can undertake to do in this report is to present a few of the leading traits of his character, and facts in his history that we consider of interest to those who have known him personally.

Few families held a more honorable position in society than that from which brother Fanning descended. His father was a member of the legal profession of some eminence. His mother and his grand-

mother were especially distinguished for great mental endowments, high culture and fine traits of character. He was born in Nantucket on the 10th of November, 1799. When quite a youth he was employed in the counting-room of his brother, who owned a line of packets plying between New York and Charleston, S. C. He resided for some time in the latter city, and then removed to New York. He came to Wilmington to reside in the fall of 1820, and made this city his home during the remainder of his life.

A man of brother Fanning's natural gifts, gentle, genial and social disposition, and of his sound judgment, integrity and uncompromising advocacy of justice and right, could not remain long in obscurity. Hence we find him, very soon after his advent in this city, taking a prominent part in all matters pertaining to the interests as well as the enjoyments of the people. His skill and taste in ornamental works and in architectural embellishments were very remarkable for the time, and were generally of more value to his friends than to himself in a pecuniary way, for being of a kind and accommodating disposition, he could never refuse an appeal for his services when in his power to respond, and never seemed more happy than when assisting others without the hope or expectation of reward. He was genial and jovial in his social intercourse with his friends, of whom he had very many, and but few enemies. If aggrieved by any man, he did not hesitate, through either policy or fear, to tell it to his face, and there the matter ended, as well as all future intercourse. He rarely, if ever, spoke evil or complained to others, of any man, or circulated the evil reports that he may have heard from others. We have known him to suffer some grievous wrongs of which, we never heard him complaining, or because of which, abusing or assailing the character of the parties who perpetrated the wrongs. Brother Fanning was never an aspirant for office of any kind, though many offices of great responsibility and of little profit were thrust upon him, all of which he administered with sound judgment, strict integrity, and even-handed justice. He never quailed before any man or set of men, however high their social or official position, when contending for the rights of those whom he represented. Early in the war he was appointed by the court as almoner for the county, which position he held until the close of the struggle, and no one can form a correct conception of the magnitude of the labors, the anxieties and the perplexities of that office, save those who saw him daily, and far into the nights, surrounded by scores of petitioners—mostly helpless women and children, and wounded soldiers. Through the terrible epidemic of 1862 he stood shoulder to shoulder with the members of the small committee, self-constituted, who braved the perils of that fearful scourge, and few of whom survived, to procure subsistence for the destitute who could not flee—to nurse the sick, to bury the dead and to protect the deserted property of the citizens; and

at the close of the war found himself an old man, as poor and destitute as any of those for whom he had labored and suffered through that terrible four years of war and pestilence.

Brother Fanning's name appears first on the records of our Lodge on the 29th of November, 1821, as a visitor from Brooklyn Lodge, No. 42, New York. After the required twelve months residence, he applied for and was admitted to membership on the 7th of December, 1822. From that time until the 29th of October, 1824, he seems to have been a very active member and a very regular attendant at the meetings. On that day the minutes state that his dues being all paid he applied for and obtained permission to withdraw, and his name does not again appear until the 13th of March, 1825, when he is reported among the visitors. From that date until February, 1837, though often present at the meetings, he is, with only two exceptions, recorded as filling some one of the various offices temporarily, and on those two occasions, once he is recorded as among the members and on the next occasion as visitor. We are not surprised at this, however, as there was, for many years, great irregularity in recording the proceedings. Many times only the names of the officers are recorded, and those not in their regular order. The report of the proceedings on various occasions are not signed by the Secretary, some of whom were suspended for incompetency or neglect of duty, and others fined for non-attendance. It is therefore impossible to make a reliable report in regard to brother Fanning's connection with the Lodge, and his services to the institution from 1825 until 1837, based on these records. In reviewing the proceedings during that period, however, we cannot resist the conclusion that he had renewed his membership in 1826, and again withdrawn in 1837. Though we find no record of that withdrawal, we feel certain of the fact, from subsequent proceedings, that he was not a member on the 17th of October, 1841. Some of your committee have been intimately acquainted with brother Fanning as Masons for nearly forty years, and have often heard him speak with regret of the irregularities that prevailed in this Lodge for a long series of years after his first connection with it, the efforts that were made from time to time by a few of the members to introduce reforms, and the final withdrawal of a number of the most prominent citizens and the renewal of their membership again when inspired with new hopes of success. The chief cause of all this was the custom of feasting and revelry that had prevailed at the regular meetings for many years, one of the results of which was that on one occasion as we learn from the minutes, at the funeral of a prominent citizen and Mason, there were present twelve members including officers, and thirty non-affiliates. It is true that there were many more than twelve members of this Lodge, and these were generally present at the regular meetings, or it might well be asked why these non-affiliates could not resume their membership and

thus effect the desired reform? And it is by no means certain that all of these had withdrawn for the same cause.

Knowing brother Fanning, as we have so long known him, to be utterly opposed to spending the funds of the Lodge in feasting and revelry at the regular monthly meetings, we are at no loss to account for his apparent neglect of Masonry, after repeated failures to bring about the reforms in this and other serious irregularities, which he sought to effect.

On the 10th of June, 1840, a resolution prevailed abolishing refreshments of every kind from the Lodge, succeeded by another to sell all the liquors and wines and the furniture of the dining hall.

When these resolutions had been carried out, and the Lodge completely purged of this pernicious practice, we find brother Fanning a very regular attendant, appointed and serving on various committees and treated in all respects as a member, though subsequent proceedings establish the fact that he was not a member. On the 27th of April, 1841, he was appointed on the committee to purchase a lot and superintend the erection of a new lodge building, and on the 30th of November following, we find that he, with some others who had long before withdrawn, were again admitted to membership, and at the succeeding meeting he was elected Secretary, from which time we find a very marked improvement in the records.

The lodge buildings and lots near the railroad depot were sold about this time, a location for a new building purchased, and the work of erecting this which we now occupy was pushed vigorously forward; and time has very clearly demonstrated the wisdom of that committee in the choice of this location, and in the character of the structure erected by them, especially as a source of revenue. Brother Fanning zealously employed his time and skill in this work until its final completion, giving almost his entire attention to the superintending of the daily operations of construction, and the major part of long nights in embellishing, with his own hands, the interior of the halls and the furniture of the lodge rooms. He was in the meantime a regular attendant at the meetings of the Lodge, which were then held in the court house, and always on some of the most important committees, sometimes presiding, and at others filling some subordinate office.

This hall was dedicated on the 27th of December, 1842, by Rev. Wm. M. Green, now the venerable Episcopal Bishop of Mississippi, who delivered a very fine address, and on that occasion we do not think there was a man living more supremely happy than brother Fanning. During the years intervening between brother Fanning's first connection with this Lodge, though he may not appear from the records to have exhibited a very active interest in the institution, and the renewal of his membership in 1841, he had not neglected the weightier matters of Masonry. With all the valuable works on the history of the order, the

laws and land-marks, written and unwritten, and the proceedings and correspondence of all the Grand Jurisdictions, he had made himself familiar, and was regarded as a sort of animated Masonic Encyclopædia. It was not long after he began to take an active part in the affairs of this Lodge, before he had introduced some long needed reforms in the workings, rules and regulations thereof. She had, like all the Lodges in our jurisdiction, and consequently the Grand Lodge herself, been blundering along in a very irregular, unsystematic and careless way for a series of years. From 1842 this Lodge began greatly to increase in numbers and Masonic intelligence, and came to be regarded by both the Grand and Subordinate Lodges as the source of Masonic light in this jurisdiction.

It appears from the records of Concord Chapter, No. 1, that brother Fanning was exalted in that body on the 14th day of June, 1824, and was elected as Scribe on the 7th day of December following. He seems to have been a very active and influential member for four or five years, holding various offices and positions on her most important committees. For several years after 1828, he ceased to attend the meetings of the Chapter, except at long intervals, from what cause we are left to conjecture. It may have been because of his editorial duties in connection with brother Thos. Loring in the publication of a paper entitled the *People's Press*, or for the same reasons which induced him to withdraw from the Lodge, as the Chapter was a participant in the festivities of which he deplored the results.

From 1836 to 1840, we have not been able to find any record of the proceedings of the Chapter, some of which we know to have been removed, with nearly all the jewels, during the occupancy of the building as a hospital by the Federal forces.

From 1841 until the infirmities of age deprived him of that privilege only a few years since, brother Fanning was one of the most regular attendants at the meetings of both the Lodge and Chapter. He was also for many years a very active member of the Council and of the Commandery. He was appointed agent for the management of this property upon the completion of this building, which position he continued to hold either individually or as chairman of a committee appointed to assist him in his old age, for more than a quarter of a century, when the infirmities of age admonished him that he could no longer give the necessary attention to the duties, and prompted him to relinquish the responsibility of that office. No better evidence than this could be demanded to establish the judgment, integrity and fidelity which characterized his whole life, and of the confidence reposed in him by the members of both the Lodge and the Chapter, who owned the property jointly.

Brother Fanning introduced the following resolution at a meeting of this Lodge, held on the 7th day of Nov., 1843, which was unanimously adopted:

“Resolved, That while this Lodge is anxious to promote the cause of education in any and all forms, and ready and willing to appropriate all surplus means to that end, and while it duly appreciates the motives that have prompted the Grand Lodge to take into consideration the expediency of establishing a seminary, it cannot conceive of any adequate benefit to be realized in the large outlay and subsequent appropriations that would be necessary for the accomplishment of that object, and believing that the Subordinate Lodges, if duly performing their duty, are fully able to school the children of indigent Masons within their respective jurisdictions, and extend the benefits of education to a much greater number: This Lodge believes that the funds of the Grand Lodge could not at the present time be judiciously applied to the establishment of the proposed seminary, yet she will invest her delegate with discretionary powers after he shall have had the advantage of such light as he may obtain on the subject at the meeting.”

This was the proposition to establish what was subsequently known as St. John's College, and at the same meeting he was elected to represent this Lodge at the succeeding Grand Convocation. So far as the original design of the Grand Lodge to which the resolution has reference is concerned, all know that the effort to carry it out successfully was a failure, and that proposition was all that he had to consider. The good that has, and we hope may hereafter, accrue from what the Grand Lodge then essayed to do, was the result of that failure, and shows no want of foresight on the part of brother Fanning. He so impressed the Grand Lodge, at the meeting of 1843, with his knowledge of Masonry, and with the reforms which he suggested in the administration of the affairs of the institution, that at the succeeding Grand Convocation he was elected Grand Master, and again in 1845 and 1846. He was appointed chairman of a committee to revise the Grand Constitution. He was elected High Priest of Concord Chapter, No. 1, in 1843, and was a member of the Convention that reorganized the Grand Chapter in 1847. In 1849 he was elected Grand High Priest, and again in 1850. In 1851 he was elected Master of this Lodge. In all these important positions he acquitted himself nobly. He was chairman of the committee on Masonic Correspondence, both of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter, and the proceedings of the Grand Bodies, both at home and abroad, have rarely been reviewed with greater ability by any one than by him.

When we commenced the mental review of the life, character and labors of brother Fanning, preliminary to the preparation of this sketch, we were very soon convinced that to present more than the merest outline would be the very utmost that we could dare to undertake. A life so replete with interest and instruction to all good Masons, and extending over more than a half a century of active, intelligent and faithful service to the fraternity, merits much greater research and more skill in the use of language than we can command. There are very few of our members now living who spent their novitiate at the feet of this “Gamaliel” before he had passed the meridian of his

Masonic life, and imbibed their knowledge of Masonry from that fountain which his industry, experience and talents had accumulated, and those only are capable of appreciating the true value of that life to the Masonic fraternity. No example more worthy of our admiration can be found on the records of our Lodge. He has gone to his reward in the "Celestial Lodge above," and we trust that it may be a glorious reward.

While we do not envy any man the fame which he has justly earned, yet we should look back with comfort upon such a record as that of our brother, could we regard it as our own when we came to lay down our "Working Tools," preparatory to our final exit from this terrestrial lodge.

Your committee beg to conclude their report by recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions, viz :

WHEREAS, Our beloved brother Phineas W. Fanning, after the labors of more than three score years in the great Temple of Masonry, has quietly folded his Masonic mantle around him, and calmly laid his weary body down to enjoy that eternal rest which we trust awaits the just and the true in the life beyond the grave, therefore

Resolved, That while we yield most humble and hearty thanks to the Great Creator and Ruler, whose will and works are above and beyond our finite conception or comprehension, that in His unbounded goodness to our Order, He has been pleased to prolong beyond the ordinary span, the life and labors of one whose bright example we shall ever cherish as among our most valued treasures.

Resolved further, That this Lodge will ever honor and guard the dust of our deceased brother, bequeathed to her on the bed of death, and that a memorial page on our records be dedicated to his memory and inscribed with his name and age, and the date of his demise.

Resolved further, That the Secretary of this Lodge be ordered to forward to the widow of our late brother a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions with the assurance of the sincere sympathy of the members in her bereavement.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED MARTIN,
R. J. JONES,
T. M. GARDNER,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence was constituted an advisory committee of the Grand Secretary, in the preparation of the digest of decisions of Grand Masters.

Bro. W. E. Anderson, G. T., introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of three, consisting of Bros. F. H. Busbee, T. S. Kenan, and R. T. Gray, be appointed to examine the clause of the will of the late B. F. Moore, devising a bond of \$1000 of the United States of

America to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, which bond will cease to bear interest in the month of July, 1881, and if such will permits, that the proceeds of said bond when paid by the United States, or sooner, be turned over to the committee on the Orphan Asylum, to be invested in land or other real estate securities, for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 3 O'CLOCK,
December 8th, A. L. 5880, A. D. 1880.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

The committee appointed at the last Annual Communication to consider the advisability of establishing an insurance feature in connection with this Grand Lodge, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The committee to whom was referred at the Annual Communication of 1879, the proposition to establish an insurance feature in connection with this Grand Lodge, submit the following report :

That they decline to recommend that the Grand Lodge have any official connection with any insurance organization.

They have examined the workings of a Masonic Mutual Beneficial Association in Georgia and Virginia ; they are well recommended by distinguished Masons as being managed by honest, capable and faithful Masons, and furnish insurance at much less than the ordinary life insurance companies. It would be more advantageous for Masons to join either of the associations mentioned than to establish a new organization in this jurisdiction. Should either or both of these associations establish a Board of Directors, composed of North Carolina Masons, for operation in this State, it would not be improper for the Grand Lodge to make thorough examination into the same, and disapprove or recommend the same to the Masons of this jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. MUNDS,
J. C. L. HARRIS,

Committee.

The standing committee on Propositions and Grievances submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances submit the following report, recommending as follows :

That the dues owing by the members of Eureka Lodge, No. 288, to said Lodge at the time it ceased to exist be remitted, and the Grand Secretary is authorized to give certificates to said members, on application, and satisfactory evidence of standing in said Lodge.

That Mt. Hermon Lodge, No. 118, be directed to forward to the Grand Master within thirty days from January 1st, 1881, the proceedings of said Lodge at which J. M. Israel was reinstated to membership in that Lodge. That if said proceedings shall show that J. M. Israel was reinstated, the Grand Master shall direct the Master of said Lodge to at once notify J. M. Israel of his reinstatement, in order that he may resume his membership with said Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. L. HARRIS,
F. H. GLOVER,
J. G. RAMSAY,

Committee.

The amendment to Article II, of the constitution, making the Deputy Grand Master elective, &c., presented by Bro. F. H. Busbee on Tuesday evening last, was taken up for consideration.

It was adopted and ordered to be submitted to the Subordinate Lodges immediately, with instructions to take action thereon at the first regular communication after receiving notice from the Grand Secretary, and report the same without delay to the Grand Secretary.

Bro. B. F. Rogers moved to take from the table the amendment of Bro. H. H. Munson, P. G. M., to Section 1, Article XVIII, of the Code, in relation to non-affiliated Masons.

The motion prevailed.

After further discussion the amendment was again laid on the table.

Bro. W. R. Cox, P. G. M., from the committee appointed at the last Annual Communication to investigate and report upon the Masonic Temple Association, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

Your committee to whom were referred matters concerning the Masonic Temple Association, beg leave to report that no matters having been brought before the same requiring action on their part, they have not taken any steps looking to an investigation of the questions referred to them. They now ask to be discharged.

WM. R. COX,
Ch'm'n. Com.

Bro. W. R. Cox introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence be instructed to report for the consideration of the Grand Lodge, at its next Annual Communication, some provision for the consolidation of such weak Lodges as may desire to surrender their charters for the purpose of uniting together.

The Grand Lodge resumed the consideration of the report of Committee No. 2, on Suspensions and Expulsions.

Bro. Thomas S. Kenan, P. D. G. M., presented the following as a substitute for the recommendation of the committee in the case of W. T. Gray from Concord Lodge, No. 58, and A. H. Edmisson from Eureka Lodge, No. 283 :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to inform the Lodge below of the omission in the transcript, indicating what it is, and direct the Secretary of the Lodge to send another transcript, and that the matter be laid over until the next Annual Communication.

The substitute was concurred in, and the report of the committee as amended, was adopted.

Bro. W. R. Cox, P. G. M., introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted :

Resolved, That the amount now in the Grand Treasury for the endowment of the Orphan Asylum, be placed in the hands of the committee on the new building for the Asylum, to be invested in land if it shall decide to purchase.

Bro. Thomas S. Kenan, P. D. G. M., introduced the following resolutions, which were read and adopted :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to receive from former members of dormant or extinct Lodges, who had been excluded for non-payment of dues and so remained at the time their Lodges ceased to exist, the dues shown by the records of said Lodges to be owing by such members at the date of exclusion, and that upon the

payment of the dues to the Grand Secretary, he shall give the certificate required in Section 2, of Article VI, (page 22) of the Masonic Code.

Resolved. That in case of the destruction of the records of such Lodges, the Grand Secretary may receive the amount shown by satisfactory evidence to be due, and give the certificate as in other cases.

A communication was received from New Salem Lodge, No. 209, asking that its name be changed to Randleman.

On motion of Bro. B. F. Rogers the request of the Lodge was complied with.

The Grand Master announced the following standing committees :

On Masonic Jurisprudence :

Bros. Thomas S. Kenan, P. D. G. M., Edwin G. Reade, P. G. M., and F. H. Busbee.

On Suspensions and Expulsions :

No. 1.—Bros. George W. Blount, P. G. M., A. H. A. Williams, and E. A. Wright.

No. 2.—Bros. Horace H. Munson, P. G. M., James C. MacRae, and E. H. Green.

On Propositions and Grievances :

Bros. James G. Ramsay, P. D. G. M., John McCormick, P. G. M., and A. M. Noble.

On Foreign Correspondence :

Bros. Robert T. Gray, J. B. Neathery, and J. H. Mills.

On Printing :

Bros. Wm. E. Anderson, G. T., Donald W. Bain, G. S., and N. B. Broughton.

On Credentials :

Bros. J. C. L. Harris, B. F. Rogers, and Michael Whitley.

Auditing Committee of the Orphan Asylum :

Bros. A. H. A. Williams, John W. Hays, and T. D. Clement.

The Grand Master appointed Bros. A. H. A. Williams, A. B. Andrews, and H. W. Reinhart to constitute, in addition to the Grand Master and the Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum, the committee to consider the matter of a

location for the male department of the Orphan Asylum, and to take steps for the erection of the buildings for that purpose.

Resolutions were introduced as follows and adopted :

By Bro. B. F. Rogers :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Body are hereby tendered to the authorities of the transportation lines, and hotels of this city, for courtesies to the members of this body.

By Bro. H. J. Harriss :

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge tenders its thanks to all good people without regard to their connection with this fraternity, for their kindness in taking care of the orphan children from the Asylum, in their traveling tour in giving entertainments; and that Bro. J. H. Mills be requested to publish this in the *Orphans' Friend*.

By Bro. A. H. A. Williams :

Resolved, That the resolutions passed by the religious denominations in aid of the orphan work at Oxford, be printed in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

[Inserted in the appendix after the report on Foreign Correspondence.

The Grand Lodge having finished its labors, the proceedings of this day's sessions were read and approved.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Bro. Adam C. Harris, Grand Chaplain, *pro tem*, and the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

HENRY F. GRAINGER,

Grand Master.

ATTEST :

DONALD W. BAIN,

Grand Secretary.

L O D G E S

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NORTH CAROLINA.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.
St. John's.....	1	Wilmington.....	New Hanover.
Royal White Hart.....	2	Halifax.....	Halifax.
St. John's.....	3	Newbern.....	Craven.
Charity.....	5	Windsor.....	Bertie.
Unanimity.....	7	Edenton.....	Chowan.
Phoenix.....	8	Fayetteville.....	Cumberland.
American George.....	17	Murfreesboro.....	Hertford.
Phalanx.....	31	Charlotte.....	Mecklenburg.
Stokes.....	32	Concord.....	Cabarrus.
William R. Davie.....	37	Lexington.....	Davidson.
Davie.....	39	Roxobel.....	Bertie.
Hiram.....	40	Raleigh.....	Wake.
Hall.....	53	Indian Town.....	Currituck.
King Solomon.....	56	Jackson.....	Northampton.
Concord.....	58	Tarboro.....	Edgecombe.
Perseverance.....	59	Plymouth.....	Washington.
Kilwinning.....	64	Wadesboro.....	Anson.
Scotland Neck.....	68	Scotland Neck.....	Hamam.
Widow's Son.....	75	Camden C. H.....	Camden.
Greensboro.....	76	Greensboro.....	Guilford.
Zion.....	81	Trenton.....	Jones.
Fellowship.....	84	Smithfield.....	Johnston.
Morning Star.....	85	Nashville.....	Nash.
Skewarkey.....	90	Williamston.....	Martin.
Western Star.....	91	Rutherfordton.....	Rutherford.
Joseph Warren.....	92	Stantonsburg.....	Wilson.
Jerusalem.....	95	Hookerton.....	Greene.
St. John's.....	96	Kinston.....	Lenoir.
Wake Forest.....	97	Neuse.....	Wake.
Hiram.....	98	Clinton.....	Sampson.
Fulton.....	99	Salisbury.....	Rowan.
Warren.....	101	Kenansville.....	Duplin.
Orr.....	104	Washington.....	Beaufort.
Perquimans.....	106	Hertford.....	Perquimans.
Clinton.....	107	Yanceyville.....	Caswell.
Belmont.....	108	Faison.....	Duplin.
Franklin.....	109	Beaufort.....	Carteret.
Wayne.....	112	Goldsboro.....	Wayne.
St. Albans.....	114	Lumberton.....	Robeson.
Holly Spring.....	115	Holly Spring.....	Wake.
Mount Lebanon.....	117	Wilson.....	Wilson.
Mount Hermon.....	118	Asheville.....	Buncombe.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Tuscarora.....	122	Oxford.....	Granville.
Franklinton,	123	Franklinton,.....	Franklin.
Clinton,.....	124	Louisburg.....	Franklin.
Mill Creek,.....	125	Newton Grove,.....	Sampson.
Blackmer.....	127	Mount Gilead,.....	Montgomery.
Hanks.....	128	Franklinsville,.....	Randolph.
Dan River.....	129	Madison,	Rockingham.
Conoho.....	131	Hamilton,	Martin.
Radiance,.....	132	Snow Hill,.....	Greene.
Mocksville,.....	134	Mocksville,.....	Davie.
Lincoln.....	137	Lincolnton,.....	Lincoln.
King Solomon,.....	138	Burgaw,.....	Pender.
Mount Energy.....	140	Mount Energy,.....	Granville.
Carolina.....	141	Ansonville,.....	Anson.
Mount Vernon,.....	143	Ore Hill,	Chatham.
Junaluska,	145	Franklin,.....	Macon.
Cherokee.....	146	Murphy,.....	Cherokee.
Palmyra,	147	Averasboro,.....	Harnett.
Adoniram,	149	Brownsville,.....	Granville.
Scotch Ireland,.....	154	Mount Vernon,.....	Rowan.
White Stone,.....	155	Wakefield,.....	Wake.
Rolesville,.....	156	Rolesville,.....	Wake.
Mount Pleasant.....	157	Roger's Store,.....	Wake.
Knap of Reeds,.....	158	Knap of Reeds,.....	Granville.
Rock Rest.....	161	Hadley's Mills,.....	Chatham.
Yadkin.....	162	Yadkinville,	Yadkin.
Archer.....	165	Clayton,.....	Johnston.
Winston.....	167	Winston,	Forsyth.
Pleasant Hill,.....	168	Patterson's Store,...	Alamance.
Blackmer.....	170	Weaverville,.....	Burcombe.
Delk,	171	Coleraine,.....	Bertie.
Buffalo,.....	172	Jonesboro,.....	Moore.
George Washington,.....	174	Green Level,	Chatham.
Pollokville,.....	175	Pollokville,.....	Jones.
Mecklenburg,.....	176	Davidson Colleg,.....	Mecklenburg.
Caldwell,.....	180	Chapel Hill,.....	Orange.
Sandy Creek,.....	185	Laurel,	Franklin.
Pine Forest,.....	186	Harrington,.....	Harnett.
Central Cross,.....	187	Peachtree Grove,....	Nash.
Balfour,	188	Ashboro,	Randolph.
Fair Bluff,.....	190	Fair Bluff,.....	Columbus.
Granite,	191	Clayton,	Johnston.
Burnsville,.....	192	Burnsville,	Yaucey.
Falkland,.....	196	Falkland,	Pitt.
Cary,.....	198	Cary,	Wake.
Eagle Rock,.....	201	Eagle Rock,.....	Wake.
Cleveland,	202	Shelby,	Cleveland.
Roanoke,	203	Weldon,.....	Halifax.
Berea,	204	Oxford,	Granville.
Mingo,	206	Bass,	Sampson.
Lebanon,	207	Whiteville,	Columbus.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Mount Olive,.....	208	Mount Olive,.....	Wayne.
Randleman,.....	209	High Point,.....	Guilford.
Eno,.....	210	Durham,.....	Durham.
Ashland,.....	211	Mount Airy,.....	Surry.
Richland,.....	214	Thomasville,.....	Davidson.
New Light,.....	215	Grissom,.....	Granville.
Catawba Valley,.....	217	Morganton,.....	Burke.
William G. Hill,.....	218	Raleigh,.....	Wake.
Stokesburg,.....	220	Walnut Cove,.....	Stokes.
Webster,.....	222	Elevation,.....	Johnston.
County Line,.....	224	River Hill,.....	Iredell.
Haw River,.....	225	Oak Ridge,.....	Guilford.
Wilson,.....	226	Olin,.....	Iredell.
*Jonesville,.....	227	Elkin. (Surry).....	Yadkin.
McCormick,.....	228	Jonesboro.	Moore.
Corinthian,.....	231	Rocky Mount,.....	Nash.
William T. Bain,.....	231	Raleigh,.....	Wake.
Lenoir,.....	233	LaGrange,.....	Lenoir.
Anchor,.....	234	Anburn,.....	Wake.
Cokesbury,.....	235	Chalk Level,.....	Harnett.
Atlantic,.....	238	Currituck C. H.,.....	Currituck.
Wicaco,.....	240	Harrellsville,.....	Hertford.
Loch Lomond,.....	242	Shoe Heel,.....	Robeson.
*Rountree,.....	243	Bell's Ferry. (Pitt) ..	Lenoir.
Monroe,.....	244	Monroe,.....	Union.
New Berne,.....	245	New Berne,.....	Craven.
Pythagoras,.....	249	Smithville,.....	Braunswick.
Shiloh,.....	250	Sassafras Fork,.....	Granville.
Rockford,.....	251	Rockford,.....	Surry.
Holly Grove,.....	252	Gatesville,.....	Gates.
Lee,.....	253	Taylorville,.....	Alexander.
Mount Bethel,.....	254	Aspen Grove,.....	Rockingham.
Oaks,.....	255	Oaks,.....	Orange.
Beulah,.....	257	Pine Level,.....	Johnston.
*Harnett,.....	258	Raleigh. (Wake).....	Harnett.
Waynesville,.....	259	Waynesville,.....	Haywood.
Excelsior,.....	261	Charlotte,.....	Mecklenburg.
Gaston,.....	263	Dallas,.....	Gaston.
Farmington,.....	265	Farmington,.....	Davie.
Durbin,.....	266	Blockersville,.....	Cumberland.
Dunn's Rock,.....	267	Brevard,.....	Transylvania.
East Bend,.....	269	East Bend,.....	Yadkin.
Tabasco,.....	271	Gibsonville,.....	Guilford.
Mebaneville,.....	272	Mebaneville,.....	Alamance.
Watauga,.....	273	Boone,.....	Watauga.
St. Patrick's,.....	274	Princeton,.....	Johnston.
Beaver Dam,.....	276	Beaver Dam,.....	Union.
Green Level,.....	277	Green Level,.....	Wake.
Colesville,.....	278	Colesville,.....	Stokes.
Rehoboth,.....	279	Teachy's,.....	Duplin.
Sapona,.....	280	Egypt,.....	Chatham.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Richard Watt York.....	281	Hanks' Chapel,.....	Chatham.
Eureka,.....	283	China Grove,.....	Rowan.
Greenville.....	284	Greenville,	Pitt.
Castalia,	286	Castalia,	Nash.
Salem,	289	Salem,	Forsyth.
French Broad,.....	292	Marshall,	Madison.
Vance,	293	Grantsville,	Buncombe.
Atlantic,	294	Swan Quarter,.....	Hyde.
Stonewall,.....	296	Robersonville,.....	Martin.
Edgecombe,.....	298	Toisnot,.....	Wilson.
Hunting Creek,.....	299	Eagle Mills,.....	Iredell.
Lillington,	302	Harnett C. H.	Harnett.
Evergreen,	303	Johnsonville,.....	Harnett.
*Pleasant Hill,.....	304	Pink Hill, (Lenoir)...	Jones.
Laurinburgh,.....	305	Laurinburgh,	Richmond.
Galatia,	306	Fayetteville,	Cumberland.
Patterson,.....	307	Mount Pleasant,.....	Cabarrus.
Randolph,.....	309	El Dorado,	Randolph.
Hatcher,.....	310	Wilson,	Wilson.
Notla,	312	Murphy,	Cherokee.
King Solomon,	313	Lumber Bridge,.....	Robeson.
New Lebanon,.....	314	South Mills,.....	Camden.
Kinston,	316	Kinston,	Lenoir.
Eureka,	317	Elizabeth City,.....	Pasquotank.
Monatau,	318	Prestonville,	Stokes.
Wilmington,.....	319	Wilmington,	New Hanover.
Selma,	320	Selma,	Johnston.
White Hill,.....	321	Greenwood,	Moore.
Granite,.....	322	Mount Airy,.....	Surry.
Danbury,.....	323	Danbury,	Stokes.
Wentworth,.....	324	Wentworth,	Rockingham.
Falling Creek,.....	325	Goldsboro,	Wayne.
Sandy Creek,.....	326	Sandy Creek,.....	Randolph.
Winton,.....	327	Winton,	Hertford.
Mattamuskeet,	328	Engelhard,.....	Hyde.
Fayetteville,	329	Fayetteville,	Cumberland.
Black Creek,.....	330	Black Creek,.....	Wilson.
Bayboro,	331	Bayboro,	Pamlico.
Goldsboro,	332	Goldsboro,	Wayne.
Lock's Creek,.....	333	Fayetteville,	Cumberland.
Roman Eagle,.....	334	Reidsville,	Rockingham.
Ash Pole,	335	Red Banks,	Robeson.
Ionic,	337	Kittrell,	Granville.
Palmyra,.....	338	Palmyra,.....	Halifax.
Fairview,	339	King's Mountain,	Cleaveland.
Harmony,	340	Pikeville,.....	Wayne.
Rock Spring,	341	Denver,	Lincoln.
Cedar Fork,.....	342	Morrisville,.....	Wake.
Hickory,	343	Hickory,	Catawba.
Numa F. Reid,.....	344	High Point,	Guilford.
Snow Creek,.....	345	Snow Creek,	Iredell.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.
Trap Hill,.....	346	Trap Hill,.....	Wilkes.
Mount Mourne,.....	347	Mount Mourne,.....	Iredell.
Stanly,	348	Albermarle,	Stanly.
Apex,	349	Apex,.....	Wake.
Mount Moriah,	350	Battleboro,	Nash.
Durham,	352	Durham,	Durham.
Moravian,	353	Moravian Falls,.....	Wilkes.
Euno,.....	354	New Hill,	Wake.
Dellaplane,.....	355	Dellaplane,	Wilkes.
Double Shoal,.....	356	Cleaveland Mills,....	Cleaveland.
Bakersville,	357	Bakersville,	Mitchell.
East La Porte,.....	358	East La Porte,	Jackson.
Mount Vernon,.....	359	Stonewall,	Pamlico.
Mayon,	360	Ammon,	Bladen.
Acacia,	361	Belle Voir,	Chatham.
Iredell,	362	Mooreville,	Iredell.
Snow,	363	Sugar Grove,	Watauga.
Cumberland,.....	364	Gray's Creek,	Cumberland.
Marlboro,	365	Marlboro,	Pitt.
Craighead,	366	Huntersville,	Mecklenburg.
Jachin,	367	Clarkton,	Bladen.
Mount Pisgah,.....	368	Williams' Mill,.....	Chatham.
Air-Line,	369	Gastonia,	Gaston.
Mars Hill,.....	370	Mars Hill,	Madison.
Olive Branch,.....	371	Raleigh,	Wake.
Bethel,	372	Wadesboro,	Anson.

*The name in parenthesis indicates the county in which the post office of the Lodge is located.

STATEMENT

OF THE TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS OF LODGES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

The asterisk before certain Lodges indicates that the dates of Regular Communications are taken from last returns received previous to the year 1880.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
St. John's, Royal White Hart,	1	Last Thursday evening.
	2	Second Wednesday morning, June 24, Dec. 27.
St. John's, Charity, *Unanimity,	3	Second Wednesday evening.
	5	First Monday evening, June 24, Dec. 27.
	7	First Tuesday evening, Monday of Court, June 24 and December 27.
Phoenix,	8	First and third Friday evenings, June 24, Dec. 27.
American George, Phalanx, *Stokes, William R. Davie.	17	First Saturday evening.
	31	Second and fourth Monday evenings.
	32	Last Friday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
	37	Friday evening before full moon, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Davie, Hiram, Hall, King Solomon, Concord,	39	Third Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
	40	Third Monday evening, June 24, Dec. 27.
	53	First Saturday morning.
	56	First Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
	58	First Friday evening, third Saturday morning.
*Perseverance, Kilwinning, Scotland Neck,	59	First and third Tuesdays.
	64	First Monday night June 24, Dec. 27.
	68	First Saturday evening and third Saturday morning, June 24, Dec. 27.
Widow's Son, Greensboro,	75	Third Saturday.
	76	Saturday evenings, before full moon, June 24, Dec. 27.
Zion, Fellowship,	81	Third Wednesday.
	84	Second Saturday, first Tuesday evening of Court.
Morning Star, Skewarkey,	85	Fourth Saturday.
	90	Second Tuesday and Tuesday evening of Court.
Western Star,	91	First Monday evening, Tuesday of Court, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Joseph Warren, Jerusalem, St. John's,	92	First Thursday.
	95	Second Saturday.
	96	Second Wednesday, June 24, Dec. 27.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
Wake Forest,	97	Saturday before second Sunday, at 2 o'clock p. m.
Hiram,	98	Third Friday.
*Fulton,	99	Every Friday evening.
Warren,	101	Thursday before second Sunday.
Orr,	104	First and third Tuesdays.
*Perquimans,	106	Every Monday evening, June 24, Dec. 27.
Clinton,	107	Second Saturday, June 24, Dec. 27, Tuesday of Court.
Belmont,	108	First Saturday, June 24, Dec. 27.
Franklin,	109	Last Thursday evening.
Wayne,	112	First and third Monday evenings.
St. Albans,	114	First and third Fridays.
Holly Spring,	115	Saturday before fourth Sunday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Mount Lebanon,	117	Every Monday evening, second Thursday.
Mount Hermon,	118	Friday evening on or before full moon.
Tuscarora,	122	First Monday evening; in December on second Monday evening, and 27th.
Franklinton,	123	Second Saturday, at 7 o'clock p. m., and last Saturday, at 2 o'clock p. m.
Clinton,	124	First Thursday evening.
Mill Creek,	125	First Friday.
*Gatesville,	126	Friday before second Sunday.
Blackmer,	127	Saturday before full moon.
Hanks,	128	Third Saturday evening, June 24 and Dec. 27.
*Dan River,	129	Saturday before second Sunday, at 1 o'clock p. m.
Conohe,	131	First Wednesday, at 2 p. m., third Wednesday, at 7 p. m.
Radiance,	132	Third Saturday, at 11 o'clock a. m.
Mocksville,	134	Third Friday evening, June 24, Dec. 27.
Lincoln,	137	First Monday evening, Monday evening of Court week, June 24, Dec. 27.
King Solomon,	138	Second Saturday, at 10 o'clock a. m.
Mount Energy,	140	First Saturday, at 2 o'clock p. m., June 24, Dec. 27.
Carolina,	141	First Friday evening after full moon.
*Mount Vernon,	143	Saturday before third Sunday.
Junaluska,	145	First and third Tuesday evenings, June 24, Dec. 27.
Cherokee,	146	Monday night on or before full moon.
Palmyra,	147	Third Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Adoniran,	149	Saturday before second Sunday.
Scotch Ireland,	154	Friday on or before full moon, June 24, Dec. 27.
White Stone,	155	Fourth Saturday, at 11 o'clock a. m. June 24.
Rolesville,	156	First Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Mount Pleasant,	157	Saturday before first Sunday at 2 p. m.

*Charter surrendered since last Annual Communication.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
Knap of Reeds,	158	Saturday before third Sunday, at 2 o'clock p. m., Dec. 27.
Rock Rest,	161	Second Saturday, Dec. 27.
Yadkin,	162	On Saturday night after full moon.
Archer,	165	First Saturday, June 24, Dec. 27.
Winston,	167	Second Saturday evening, Tuesday evening of Court, June 24, Dec. 27.
*Pleasant Hill,	168	First Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Blackmer,	170	Saturday on or before each full moon, June 24, and Dec. 27, at 2 o'clock p. m.
Delk,	171	Saturday before third Sunday.
*Buffalo,	172	Second Saturday evening.
George Washington,	174	Saturday before fourth Sunday, Dec. 27.
Polloksville,	175	First Wednesday morning.
Mecklenburg,	176	Thursday on or before full moon, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Caldwell,	180	Saturday before full moon at 7 o'clock p. m.
Sandy Creek,	185	First Saturday.
Pine Forest,	186	Saturday on or before full moon.
Central Cross,	187	Second Saturday and Dec. 27.
*Balfour,	188	Wednesday evening before full moon, Wednesday evening of Court.
Fair Bluff,	190	Saturday evening preceding full moon, Dec. 27.
Granite,	191	Third Saturday.
Burnsville,	192	Thursday before full moon, at 6 o'clock p. m., June 24, Dec. 27.
Falkland,	196	Saturday before third Sunday, at 2 p. m.
Cary,	198	Saturday evening before second Sunday.
Eagle Rock,	201	Third Saturday.
Cleaveland,	202	Friday evening before full moon, June 24 and Dec. 27, at 10 o'clock a. m.
Roanoke,	203	First Thursday, at 8 o'clock p. m., and third Thursday, at 11 o'clock a. m.
Berea,	204	Saturday before fourth Sunday, June 24 and December 27, at 2 o'clock p. m.
Mingo,	206	First Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Lebanon,	207	Saturday at 7½ p. m. on or before full moon, June 24, Dec. 27.
Mount Olive,	208	Thursday before fourth Sunday, June 24, December 27.
Randleman,	209	Saturday evening after full moon, June 24 and December 27.
*Eno,	210	Fourth Saturday.
*Ashland,	211	Saturday evening after full moon, June 24, December 27.
Richland,	214	Saturday before full moon, June 24, Dec. 27.
New Light,	215	Third Saturday.
*Catawba Valley,	217	On full moon, June 24, December 27.
William G. Hill,	218	Second and fourth Mondays, Dec. 27.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
Stokesburg,	220	First Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Webster,	222	Fourth Saturday.
County Line,	224	Friday on or before full moon.
*Haw River,	225	First Saturday, at 2 p. m., after each full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Wilson,	226	Thursday evening on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Jonesville,	227	Saturday evening, on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
McCormick,	228	Third Saturday, at 3 p. m.
Corinthian,	230	First Thursday evening.
William T. Bain,	231	Saturday before third Sunday, June 24 and December 27.
Lenoir,	233	First Thursday.
Anchor,	234	Saturday before second Sunday.
Cokesbury,	235	Saturday before first Sunday.
Atlantic,	238	Fourth Saturday, December 27.
Wicaco,	240	Second Saturday, at 3 o'clock p. m.
*Loch Lomond,	242	First Friday morning.
Rountree,	243	First Saturday morning.
Monroe,	244	First and third Friday evenings, June 24 and December 27.
New Berne,	245	Third Wednesday.
Pythagoras,	249	First Thursday.
Shiloh,	250	Second Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
*Rockford,	251	Saturday evening on or before full moon.
Holly Grove,	252	Fourth Saturday.
Lee,	253	First Saturday, Tuesday of Court, June 24 and December 27.
*Mount Bethel,	254	First Saturday, June 24 and December 27.
Oaks,	255	Saturday before third Sunday, at 5 p. m.
Beulah,	257	Saturday before fourth Sunday.
Harnett,	258	Saturday before 4th Sunday, June 24 and December 27.
*Waynesville,	259	Friday evening on or before full moon.
Excelsior,	261	Second and fourth Tuesday evenings.
Gaston,	263	Friday evening after full moon, Monday evening of Court, June 24 and December 27.
Farmington,	265	Second Friday evening, June 24, and December 27.
*Durbin,	266	Second Friday morning.
Dunn's Rock,	267	Friday on or before the full moon, at 7½ o'clock p. m.
East Bend,	269	Saturday on or before full moon.
Tabasco,	271	Second Saturday evening, June 24 and December 27.
Mebaneville,	272	First Saturday evening.
Watauga,	273	Friday evening before full moon, Monday evenings of Court, June 24 and December 27.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
Beaver Dam,	276	Saturday on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27, at 2 p. m.
Green Level,	277	Saturday morning before second Sunday, June 24 and December 27.
Colesville,	278	Second Saturday, at 1 o'clock p. m.
Rehoboth,	279	Saturday before third Sunday, June 24, December 27.
*Sapona,	280	Fourth Saturday, at 3 o'clock p. m., June 24 and December 27, at 10 a. m.
*Richard Watt York,	281	Wednesday evening before second Sunday.
Eureka,	283	First Saturday, at 1 o'clock p. m., June 24 and December 27.
Greenville,	284	First Thursday and first and third Monday evenings.
Castalia,	286	Third Saturday, at 1 o'clock p. m.
Salem,	289	First Thursday evening, June 24, December 27.
French Broad,	292	Friday, on or before full moon, June 24, and Dec. 27.
Vance,	293	Thursday on or before full moon.
Atlantic,	294	Second Saturday, Tuesday evening of Court.
Stonewall,	296	Saturday before third Sunday.
Edgecombe,	298	Fourth Thursday.
Hunting Creek,	299	Friday evening on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Lillington,	302	Saturday evening before first Sunday.
Evergreen,	303	Third Saturday, at 2 p. m.
Pleasant Hill,	304	First Saturday, at 10 a. m.
Laurinburg,	305	Thursday evening on or before full moon, December 27.
Galatia,	306	Saturday evening on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Patterson,	307	Saturday evening on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Randolph,	309	Saturday on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Hatcher,	310	Third Saturday, June 24 and December 27.
Notla,	312	Third Saturday, at 10 a. m.
King Solomon,	313	First Saturday, December 27.
New Lebanon,	314	First Friday, at 10 a. m.
Kinston,	316	First and third Mondays.
Eureka,	317	Every Monday evening, June 24 and December 27.
*Monatan,	318	Third Saturday afternoon.
Wilmington,	319	Third Tuesday evening.
Selma,	320	Saturday night before third Sunday.
White Hill,	321	Third Saturday evening, June 24, Dec. 27.
Granite,	322	First Tuesday evening.
*Danbury,	323	Third Saturday.
Wentworth,	324	Saturday before third Sunday.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
Falling Creek.	325	Saturday before 3rd Sunday, June 24, Dec. 27.
*Sandy Creek.	326	Second Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Winton,	327	Saturday before second Sunday.
Mattamuskeet.	328	Fourth Saturday, at 1 p. m.
Fayetteville.	329	Second and fourth Friday evenings.
Black Creek.	330	Third Saturday, June 24th.
Bayboro.	331	Fourth Saturday.
Goldshoro.	332	First and third Thursday evenings.
Lock's Creek.	333	Fourth Saturday, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Roman Eagle,	334	Third Friday evening, June 24 and Dec. 27.
Ash Pole.	335	Second Saturday.
Ionic.	337	Monday evening on or before full moon.
Palmyra.	338	First Wednesday, at 3 o'clock p. m.
Fairview.	339	Saturday evening before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Harmony,	340	First Thursday, at 10 a. m.
Rock Spring.	341	Saturday on or before full moon.
Cedar Fork,	342	Third Saturday.
Hickory.	343	Friday evening after full moon.
Numa F. Reid,	344	Saturday evening on or before full moon.
*Snow Creek.	345	Friday evening on or before full moon, June 24 and December 27.
Trap Hill,	346	Saturday evening on or before full moon.
Mount Mourne.	347	Saturday before second Sunday.
Stanly,	348	Friday on or before full moon.
*Apex,	349	First Saturday, at 3 p. m.
Mount Moriah,	350	Second Wednesday.
Durham,	352	2d and 4th Tuesday evenings, June 24, and December 27.
Moravian,	353	Friday evening on or before full moon.
Enno,	354	Saturday before third Sunday, at 10 a. m.
Dellaplane,	355	Saturday on or before full moon.
Double Shoal,	356	Saturday evening on or before full moon, June 24, Dec. 27.
Bakersville,	357	Tuesday before full moon, Tuesday of Court, June 24 and December 27.
East La Porte,	358	Saturday on or before full moon, at 2 p. m.
Mt. Vernon,	359	Second Thursday, at 2 p. m.
Mayon,	360	Third Saturday.
Acacia,	361	Wednesday evening on or before full moon.
Iredell,	362	Fourth Saturday, at 2 p. m.
Snow,	363	Friday evening after full moon, June 24, Dec. 27.
*Cumberland,	364	Fourth Saturday, at 11 o'clock a. m.
Marlboro,	365	Saturday before first Sunday, at 1 o'clock p. m.
Craighead,	366	First and third Saturdays.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	TIMES OF REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS.
Jachin. Mount Pisgah,	367	First Saturday.
Air Line,	368	Saturday before 4th Sunday, at 3 o'clock p. m.
Mars Hill,	369	Friday evening on or before full moon. June 24 and December 27.
Olive Branch. Bethel,	370	Saturday June 24, on or before full moon. Dec. 27.
	371	Saturday before 2d Sunday.
	372	Friday on or before full moon.

ABSTRACT of Returns from Subordinate Lodges for Masonic year ending October 31, 1880.

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St. John's,.....	1	2	2	2					4	3	5	92	9	101	46 00
Royal White Hart,.....	2	1	1	1					9	1		33	9	42	16 00
St. John's,.....	3	1	1	1						1		62	24	86	31 00
Charity,.....	5	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	56	.....	56	28 00
Unanimity,.....	7	No	Ret	urns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phoenix,.....	8	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	1	.....	48	38	86	24 00
American George.....	17	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	41	10	51	20 50
Phalanx,.....	31	4	.....	5	2	.....	.....	.....	4	3	1	97	35	132	48 00
Stokes,.....	32	No	Ret	urns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
William R. Davie,.....	37	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	38	16	54	.....
Davie,.....	39	3	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	28	3	31	14 00
Hiram,.....	40	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	76	8	84	38 50
Hall,.....	53	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	.....	42	21 00
King Solomon,.....	56	4	4	4	.....	1	.....	.....	2	1	.....	61	5	66	30 50
Concord,.....	58	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	.....	52	14	66	26 00
Perseverance,.....	59	No	Ret	urns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kilwinning,.....	64	1	.....	.....	1	3	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	32	16	48	16 00
Scotland Neck,.....	68	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	1	35	7	42	17 50
Widow's Son,.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	49	6	55	24 00
Greensboro,.....	76	1	1	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	36	51	87	18 00
Zion,.....	81	1	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	34	.....	34	17 00
Fellowship,.....	84	.....	.....	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	35	3	38	17 50

85	Morning Star,.....	2	3	3	1	1	.....	.....	.....	5	1	1	54	8	62	.....	11 50
90	Skewarkey,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	12	35	.....	23 50
91	Western Star,.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	.....	43	.....	20 00
92	Joseph Warren,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	3	31	.....	14 50
95	Jerusalem,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	2	49	.....	16 50
96	St. John's,.....	3	3	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	16	29	.....	14 50
97	Wake Forest,.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	1	1	.....	23 50
98	Hiram,.....	.....	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48	40	88	.....	.....
99	Fulton,.....	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
101	Warren,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	11	51	.....	.....
104	Orr,.....	1	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	42	15	57	.....	21 00
106	Perquimans,.....	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
107	Clinton,.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
108	Belmont,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	43	78	.....	17 50
109	Franklin,.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	12	38	.....	13 00
111	Wayne,.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49	18	67	.....	24 50
112	St. Albans,.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	7	42	.....	19 25
114	Holly Spring,.....	1	3	5	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	21	85	.....	32 00
115	Mt. Lebanon,.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	17	42	.....	12 00
117	Mt. Hannon,.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	10	60	.....	24 00
118	Tuscarora,.....	4	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	38	97	.....	26 00
122	Franklinton,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	45	71	.....	13 00
123	Clinton,.....	1	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	27	55	.....	30 50
124	Mill Creek,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	6	39	.....	14 50
125	Gatesville,.....	7	7	7	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	7	58	.....	25 00
126	Blackner,.....	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	6	33	.....	13 50
127	Hanks,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	56	90	.....	13 50
128	Dan River,.....	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	53	70	.....	8 50
129	Conoho,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
131	Radance,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	3	26	.....	11 50
132	Mocksville,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	13	39	.....	12 00
134	Lincoln,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	23	76	.....	28 50
137	King Solomon,.....	2	2	2									24	30	54		12 00
138	Mount Energy,.....				1								13	18	31		6 50
140		1	1										31	18	49		15 50

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Carolina,	141	No	Retur ns	ns		1			8			33	17	50	\$ 10 00
Mount Vernon,	143	1												47	19 50
Junaluskee,	145	1			1							39	8	35	15 00
Cherokee,	146	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	10	48	13 00
Palmyra,	147	.....	.....	.....	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	22	37	12 50
Adoniram,	149	1	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	25	12	.....	.....
Chalmers,	151	No	Retur ns	ns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	12	.....
Scotch Ireland,	154	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	40	13	53	20 00
White Stone,	155	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	23	.....	23	11 50
Rossville,	156	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	2	56	28 00
Mount Pleasant,	157	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	40	59	9 50
Knap of Reeds,	158	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	3	2	2	18	4	22	9 00
Rock Rest,	161	.....	Retur ns	ns	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Yadkin,	162	No	Retur ns	ns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	3	29	.....
Archer,	165	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	104	14	118	52 00
Winston,	167	3	5	3	5	1	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill,	168	No	Retur ns	ns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	18	35	50 00
Blackmer,	170	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	18	1	.....	8	7	15	4 00
Delk,	171								3						
Buffalo,	172	No	Retur ns	ns								35	20	55	17 50
George Washington,	174					2				1	3				

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NAMES OF LODGES.	No.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Admitted.	Reinstated.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Excluded for non-payment of dues.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Members.	Resident Masons not members.	Whole Number.	Dues Paid.
William T. Bain,.....	231	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	20	3	23	\$ 10 00
Lenoir,	233	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	10	43	16 50
Anchor,	234	.....	1	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	15	4	19	7 50
Cokesbury,	235	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	13	10	23	6 50
Atlantic,.....	238	1	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	9	.....	.....	42	11	53	21 00
Wicacoon,	240	No	Ret	urn	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	15	2	17	7 50
Loch Lomond,.....	242	No	Ret	urn	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rountree,	243	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	40	4	44	20 00
Monroe,	244	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	37	.....
New Berne,.....	245	2	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	18	14	32	9 00
Pythagoras,	249	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	17	12	29	8 00
Shiloh,.....	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	.....	10	.....
Rockford,	251	No	Ret	urn	s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holly Grove,.....	252	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	17	7	24	8 50
Lee,	253	4	5	4	1	.....	.....	1	3	2	.....	68	6	74	34 00
Mount Bethel,.....	254	No	Ret	urn	s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oaks,.....	255	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	3	38	7 00
Beulah,.....	257	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	23	.....	23	11 50
Harnett,.....	258	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	7	24	19 00
Waynesville,.....	259	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	2	54	7	61	27 00
Excelsior,	261	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	5	1	21	10	31	10 50

263	Gaston,	2	2	2	1	1	41	41	20 50
265	Farmington,	3	3	3	.....	.....	47	50	23 50
266	Durbin,	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00
267	Dunn's Rock,	7	6	7	1	6	49	53	24 50
269	East Bend, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	.....	.....
271	Tabasco,	5	4	4	2	.....	32	32	32 00
272	Mebaneville, .....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	21	21	10 50
273	Watauga,	3	4	5	.....	.....	70	74	35 00
276	Beaver Dam,	2	.....	2	.....	.....	32	33	16 00
277	Green Level,	1	1	1	1	1	26	26	13 00
278	Colesville, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	37	18 00
279	Rebooth, .....	.....	.....	.....	6	2	17	15	8 50
280	Sapona,	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
281	Richard Watt York,	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
283	Eureka, .....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	34	37	17 00
284	Greenville,	1	.....	1	.....	1	33	41	17 00
286	Castalia, .....	.....	1	1	.....	2	29	4	.....
289	Salem, .....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	46	5	.....
292	French Broad, .....	.....	6	3	.....	.....	47	51	20 00
293	Vance,	8	9	8	2	.....	54	47	23 50
294	Atlantic,	1	.....	1	.....	.....	39	55	27 00
296	Stonewall,	1	1	2	1	.....	39	39	20 00
298	Edgecombe, .....	.....	3	3	.....	.....	39	46	20 00
299	Hunting Creek,	3	3	3	.....	.....	28	28	13 50
302	Lillington, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	59	29 50
303	Evergreen,	4	3	4	.....	.....	25	25	.....
304	Pleasant Hill, .....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	21	22	10 50
305	Laurinburg, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	15	7 50
306	Galatia, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	48	16 00
307	Patterson,	2	2	2	.....	.....	28	48	14 00
309	Randolph,	1	1	.....	1	.....	25	25	13 00
310	Hatcher, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63	68	31 00
312	Notla,	6	4	3	2	2	24	25	12 00
313	King Solomon,	2	1	.....	.....	.....	31	32	15 50
		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	35	25 50

ABSTRACT.—Continued.)

NAMES OF LODGES.	No.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Admitted.	Reinstated.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Excluded for non-payment of dues.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Members.	Resident Masons not members.	Whole Number.	Dues Paid.
New Lebanon,.....	314	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	31	4	35	13 00
Kinston,.....	316	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	22	.....	22	11 00
Eureka,.....	317	8	7	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	50	29	79	25 00
Monatan,.....	318	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilmington,.....	319	1	1	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	45	2	47	22 50
Selma,.....	320	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	18	1	19	9 00
White Hill,.....	321	.....	1	1	1	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	23	17	40	10 50
Granite,.....	322	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	17	.....	17	8 50
Danbury,.....	323	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wentworth,.....	324	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	5	39	17 00
Falling Creek,.....	325	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	26	2	28	13 00
Sandy Creek,.....	326	No	Ret	urn s	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winton,.....	327	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	19	1	20	9 50
Matamuskiet,.....	328	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fayetteville,.....	329	1	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	31	.....	31	15 50
Black Creek,.....	330	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	22	.....	22	11 00
Bayboro,.....	331	2	2	2	.....	1	.....	.....	3	1	1	18	4	22	9 00
Goldsboro,.....	332	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	36	18 00
Lock's Creek,.....	333											23		23	10 50
Roman Eagle,.....	334				4		1					21	4	25	10 50
Ash Pole,.....	335	3	3	3					2	2		15	32	47	6 50
										1	1	26	3	29	13 00

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U.D.

ABSTRACT.—(Continued.)

NAMES OF LODGES.	No.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Admitted.	Reinstated.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Excluded for non-payment of dues.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Members.	Resident Masons not Members.	Whole Number.	Dues Paid.
Olive Branch (371),.....	U. D.	7	2	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	15	.....
Bethel (372),... ..	U. D.	2	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	.....	16	.....

\$2,961.40

RECAPITULATION.

AGGREGATE OF LODGES.

No. of Lodges represented at Annual Communication, 1880...	104
“ “ making returns in the year 1880.....	194
“ “ from which no returns were received,.....	27
“ “ at work,.....	221
“ chartered Lodges gone out of existence,.....	151
Number of Lodges formerly and at present existing,.....	372

STATISTICS OBTAINED FROM RETURNS IN 1880, OF CHARTERED LODGES AND LODGES U. D.

Initiated,	248
Passed,.. ..	235
Raised,	230
Admitted in chartered Lodges,.....	99
Reinstated,.....	76
Suspended,	28
Expelled,.....	8
Excluded for non-payment of dues,.....	202
Withdrawn,.....	145
Died,	84

AGGREGATE OF MASONS.

Number of members returned,.....	6,432
“ “ resident Masons not members returned,.....	1,767
Whole number returned,.....	8,199
Add members 788 and Resident Masons (217) as obtained from the last returns of Lodges failing to make returns in 1880.....	1005
Estimated number formerly members of Lodges now extinct, not returned by any Lodge,.....	2,350
Total membership and resident Masons not members,.....	11,554

FRATERNAL DEAD.

St. John's, No. 1, J. F. King, M. D., J. B. Russell, C. Heines, H.
G. Flanner, P. W. Fanning, P. G. M.
Charity, No. 5, James J. Speller.
Phalanx, No. 31, C. H. Elms.
William R. Davie, No. 37, Jacob Berrier.
Scotland Neck, No. 68, R. C. Hawkins.
Zion, No. 81, L. A. Barfield.
Morning Star, No. 85, William Colston.
Skewarkee, No. 90, C. L. Lilly.
Western Star, No. 91, George M. Whiteside.
Jerusalem, No. 95, R. D. Warren.
St. John's, No. 96, Warren Kilpatrick.
Wake Forest, No. 97, J. H. Bell.
Hiram, No. 98, Miles P. Owen.
Warren, No. 101, S. D. Ferrill.
Holly Spring, No. 115, John W. Rogers.
Mt. Lebanon, No. 117, R. G. Barham.
Tuscarora, No. 122, Z. M. Paschall, M. D.
Clinton, No. 124, J. A. Young.
Mill Creek, 125, Ivey Lee, B. B. Rose.
Blackmer, No. 127, James M. Greene.
Conoho, No. 131, Newbern Whitehurst.
Radiance, No. 132, D. A. Spivey.
Mocksville, No. 134, Enoch Hartman, Denton Hendren.
King Solomon, No. 138, D. T. Durham.
Mount Energy, No. 140, W. A. Bobbitt.
White Stone, No. 155, John Chamblee, Rev. H. Hocutt.
Knap of Reeds, No. 158, L. W. Umstead, W. H. Jones.
Rock Rest, No. 161, S. Baldwin.
George Washington, No. 174, B. M. Yates, S. Upchurch W. A.
Long.
Caldwell, No. 180, Rev. G. W. Purefoy.
Pine Forest, No. 186, Neill McKay.
Central Cross, No. 187, H. J. Baines.
Burnsville, No. 192, D. McCanless.
Eagle Rock, No. 201, Giles Underhill.
Cleveland, No. 202, C. F. Turner.
New Salem, No. 209, W. L. Balentine.
Richland, No. 214, W. A. Hannah.
William G. Hill, No. 218, John King.
Webster, No. 222, Robert G. Creech.
County Line, No. 224, James A. Gaither.
Jonesville, No. 227, Ansel Parks.
Corinthian, No. 230, Redin Daughtry.
William T. Bain, No. 231, S. J. Utley.
Cokesbury, No. 235, W. H. Senter, W. A. Prince.
Wiccacon, No. 240, Matthew Brewer.

Shiloh, No. 250, Rev. Edward Hines.
Beulah, No. 257, J. W. Peacock.
Waynesville, No. 259, R. G. A. Love, J. Rateliff, Jr.
Excelsior, No. 261, Samuel C. Nathan.
Gaston, No. 263, Robert L. McLurd.
Dunn's Rock, No. 267, R. W. Hume.
Tabasco, No. 271, Daniel Whitesell, Peter Boon.
Watauga, No. 273, W. M. Crawford.
Beaver Dam, No. 276, J. S. Blair.
Rehoboth, No. 279, Cornelius McMillan.
Vance, No. 293, J. L. Swain.
King Solomon, 313, J. A. Currie.
New Lebanon, No. 314, One—name not reported.
Kinston, No. 316, Thomas A. Harvey.
Granite, No. 322, J. H. Bitting.
Falling Creek, No. 325, Job Warrick.
Mattamuskeet, No. 328, R. S. Saunderson.
Black Creek, No. 330, Jacob Daniel.
Bayboro', No. 331, L. W. Tingle.
Ash Pole, No. 335, David Alford.
Ionic, No. 337, H. H. Hartwell.
Moravian, No. 353, James McNeil.
Dellaplane, No. 355, G. W. Johnson, Richard Allen.
Double Shoal, No. 356, Robert W. Falls.
Marlboro', No. 365, John H. Hines.

GRAND LODGES

*In correspondence with the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and
names and address of Grand Secretaries.*

GRAND LODGE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
Alabama,.....	Daniel Sayre,.....	Montgomery.
Arkansas,.....	L. E. Barber,.....	Little Rock.
British Columbia,.....	Edgar Crow Baker,.....	Victoria.
California,.....	Alexander G. Abell,....	San Francisco.
Canada,.....	J. J. Mason,.....	Hamilton.
Colorado,.....	Ed. C. Parmelee,.....	Georgetown.
Connecticut,.....	Jos. K. Wheeler,.....	Hartford.
Dakota Territory,.....	Charles T. McCoy,.....	Bon Homme.
Delaware,.....	William S. Hayes,.....	Wilmington.
District of Columbia,....	W. R. Singleton,.....	Washington.
England,.....	Shadwell Clerke,.....	London.
Florida,.....	D. C. Dawkins,.....	Jacksonville.
Georgia,.....	J. E. Blackshear, M.D.,	Macon.
Idaho Territory,.....	L. F. Cartee,.....	Boise City.
Illinois,.....	John F. Burrill,.....	Springfield.
Indiana,.....	Wm. H. Smythe,.....	Indianapolis.
Iowa,.....	Theodore S. Parvin,....	Iowa City.
Kansas,.....	John H. Brown,.....	Wyandotte.
Kentucky,.....	Hiram Bassett,.....	Louisville.
Louisiana,.....	J. C. Batchelor, M.D.,	New Orleans.
Maine,.....	Ira Berry,.....	Portland.
Manitoba,.....	John H. Bell,.....	Winnipeg.
Maryland,.....	Jacob H. Mediary,.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts,.....	Tracy P. Cheever,.....	Boston.
Michigan,.....	William P. Innes,.....	Grand Rapids.
Minnesota,.....	A. T. C. Pierson,.....	St. Paul.
Mississippi,.....	J. L. Power,.....	Jackson.
Missouri,.....	John D. Vincil, D. D.,	St. Louis.
Montana,.....	Cornelius Hedges,.....	Helena.
Nebraska,.....	William R. Bowen,.....	Omaha.
Nevada,.....	John D. Hammond,....	Carson.
New Brunswick,.....	William F. Bunting,....	St. Johns.
New Hampshire,.....	George P. Cleaves,.....	Concord.
New Jersey,.....	Joseph H. Hough,.....	Trenton.
New York,.....	James M. Austin, M.D.	New York City.
Nova Scotia,.....	Benj. Curren, D. C. L.	Halifax.
Ohio,.....	John D. Caldwell,.....	Cincinnati.
Oregon,.....	F. J. Babcock,.....	Salem.
Pennsylvania,.....	Michael Nisbet,.....	Masonic Temple, Phila.
Prince Edward Island,	Geo. W. Wakeford,....	Charlottetown.
Quebec,.....	John H. Isaacson,.....	Montreal.

Grand Lodges in Correspondence, &c.—(CONTINUED.)

GRAND LODGE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
Rhode Island,.....	Edwin Baker,.....	Providence.
South Carolina,.....	Charles Inglesby,.....	Charleston.
Tennessee,.....	John Frizzell,.....	Nashville.
Texas,.....	George H. Bringham,.....	Houston.
Utah Territory,.....	Christopher Diehl,.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont,.....	William H. Root,.....	Burlington.
Virginia,.....	William B. Isaacs,.....	Richmond.
Washington Territory,	Thomas M. Reed,.....	Olympia.
West Virginia,.....	O. S. Long,.....	Wheeling.
Wisconsin,.....	John W. Woodhull,....	Milwaukee.
Wyoming Territory,...	Reuben T. Hilliard,....	Evanston.

REPRESENTATIVES

Of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina near other Grand Lodges.

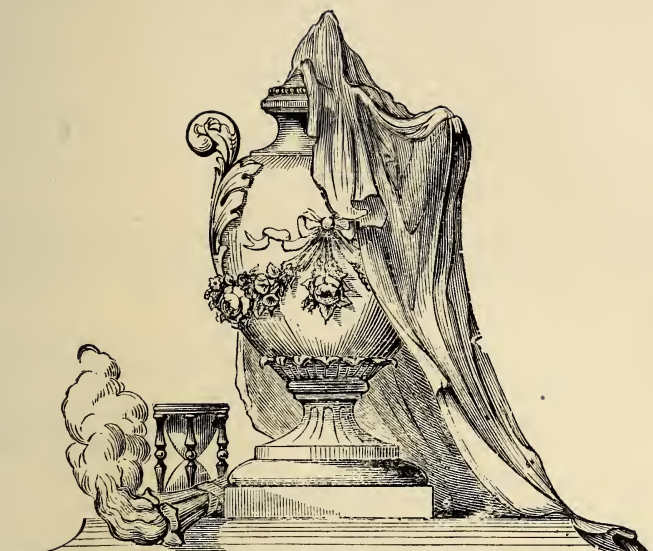
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Alabama,	George D. Norris, M.D.,	New Market.
Arkansas,	M. M. McGuire,	Dardanelle.
Canada,	Lawrence H. Henderson	Belleville, Ont.
Florida,	Zelotes H. Mason,	Apopka.
Illinois,	Walter A. Stevens,	Chicago.
Iowa,	Wm. B. Langridge,	Muscatine.
Kentucky,	John D. Wickliffe, ..	Bardstown.
Louisiana,	Samuel M. Todd,	New Orleans.
Maine,	Albert Moore,	North Anson.
Minnesota,	Wm. S. Combs,	St. Paul.
Mississippi,	A. H. Barkley,	Crawfordsville.
Missouri,	B. O. Austin, ..	New Bloomfield.
Nebraska,	Robert W. Furnas,	Brownsville.
New Jersey,	Wm. H. DeWolfe,	Hackensack.
New York,	Ellwood E. Thorne, ...	New York.
Nova Scotia,	Henry Despard,	
Pennsylvania,	Michael Nisbet,	Philadelphia.
Prince Edward Island,	Joseph L. Dyer,	Alberton.
Rhode Island,	John P. Sanborn,	Newport.
Tennessee,	Jonathan S. Dawson, ...	Paris.
Vermont,	Nathan P. Bowman, ...	St. Johnsbury.
Wisconsin,	Thomas McWilliams, ...	Eagle.

R E P R E S E N T A T I V E S .

Of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

GRAND LODGE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
Alabama,.....	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Arkansas,	Fabius H. Busbee,	Raleigh.
Brazil,	Robert W. Best,.....	Raleigh.
Canada,	George W. Blount,	Wilson.
Chili,.....	John Nichols,	Raleigh.
Connecticut,	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Georgia,	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Illinois	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Indiana,	Horace H Munson,	Wilmington.
Iowa,	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Kentucky,	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Louisiana,.....	Robert B. Vance,.....	Asheville.
Missouri,	Robert W. Best,.....	Raleigh.
New Jersey,.....	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
New York,	Robert W. Lassiter,.....	Oxford.
Nova Scotia,.....	Thomas S. Kenan,.....	Wilson.
Pennsylvania,	William R. Cox,	Raleigh.
Prince Edward Island,	Henry F. Grainger,	Goldsboro.
Tennessee,.....	Donald W. Bain,	Raleigh.
Texas,	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh.
Wisconsin,	John Nichols,	Raleigh,





INSCRIBED TO THE MEMORY

—OF—

PHINEAS W. FANNING,

PAST GRAND MASTER.

BORN NOVEMBER 10th. 1799.

DIED AUGUST 10th. 1880.

AS A CITIZEN, MASON, AND GRAND OFFICER,
HE ACQUITTED HIMSELF NOBLY.

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REPORT ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina :

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence beg leave to report that they have received and reviewed the proceedings of the following Grand Lodges :

Arkansas,	-	-	-	1879	Nevada,	-	-	-	1880
California,	-	-	-	1879	Nebraska,	-	-	-	1880
Colorado,	-	-	-	1879-'80	New Hampshire,	-	-	-	1880
Connecticut,	-	-	-	1880	New Mexico,	-	-	-	1880
Dakota,	-	-	-	1880	New York,	-	-	-	1880
Idaho,	-	-	-	1879	Nova Scotia,	-	-	-	1879-'80
Illinois,	-	-	-	1879-'80	Ohio,	-	-	-	1879
Indiana,	-	-	-	1880	Oregon,	-	-	-	1880
Indian Territory,	-	-	-	1879	Pennsylvania,	-	-	-	1879
Iowa,	-	-	-	1880	Prince Edward Island,	-	-	-	1879
Kansas,	-	-	-	1879	Quebec,	-	-	-	1879
Kentucky,	-	-	-	1879-'80	South Carolina,	-	-	-	1880
Maine,	-	-	-	1880	Tennessee,	-	-	-	1879
Manitoba,	-	-	-	1879	Texas,	-	-	-	1879
Maryland,	-	-	-	1879-'80	Virginia,	-	-	-	1879
Massachusetts,	-	-	-	1879	Washington Territory,	-	-	-	1880
Michigan,	-	-	-	1880	West Virginia,	-	-	-	1879
Missouri,	-	-	-	1879-'80	Wisconsin,	-	-	-	1880
Montana,	-	-	-	1879	Wyoming Territory,	-	-	-	1879

Your Committee are glad to report that, since our last Annual Communication, the unfortunate disagreement between the Grand Lodge of Cuba and the Grand Lodge of Colon, which was referred to with regret in our last report, has been amicably adjusted, the two bodies having united upon a reasonable and just basis of organization. The dissensions having been healed it has become unnecessary for your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which the matter was referred for investigation, to report upon the questions of law involved therein. While it lasted it was important to decide where the right lay, so that Masons

could extend their recognition to those entitled to it, and treat with cold courtesy those who were in the wrong.

The principal matter now attracting the attention of Grand Lodges outside of their own jurisdictions, and calling for their mediatorial interference and good offices, is the attitude of non-intercourse, not to say hostility, which the Grand Lodges of New York and Connecticut have assumed toward each other and in which they are "posing" before the Masonic world. New York, especially, has her "back up." Connecticut has hers elevated, too, but maintains herself with somewhat more of coolness and dignity than her offended sister.

The *casus belli* is, shortly, this: The Grand Master of Connecticut granted a dispensation, and afterwards the Grand Lodge a charter, constituting certain petitioners a subordinate Lodge, two of the petitioners being members of a Lodge in New York, one of them a resident of New York and both in arrears for dues to the Lodge to which they belonged in New York. Complaint being made by the Grand Lodge of New York, it was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence in the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, whose report was adopted, directing the brethren in question to pay to the New York Lodge the dues for which they were in arrears up to the time when they were allowed to form a Lodge in Connecticut. It was thus held that the membership of the brethren in question ceased in New York when the Connecticut charter was granted, and that they were legally members of the new Lodge.

After several attempts to settle the matter had failed, the Grand Master of New York advised that "the time has come to demonstrate to the Masonic world that the laws of the Grand Lodge of New York are an inviolable panoply for its Lodges and members and that we know, and to the last extremity will maintain, our right of supreme and exclusive jurisdiction within our own territory": and subsequently, under resolutions of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master (J. B. Anthony) issued his edict directing the Masons of New York "to allow no brethren hailing from the Grand Lodge of Connecticut to visit the lodges in this jurisdiction, and the brethren of this jurisdiction are forbidden all Masonic intercourse with the brethren of Connecticut."

Referring to this pronouncement, the Grand Master of Connecticut (John H. Barlow) in good taste says to his jurisdiction: "Brethren will take due notice of the above edict and not subject themselves to the mortification of being refused admission, as visitors, by Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New York. Should brethren of New York desire to visit lodges in this jurisdiction, freely extend a cordial and brotherly greeting. Ever remember that indiscretion and hasty action on their part should never destroy Masonic courtesy on ours. Let us patiently submit, conscious of the sincerity and honest

conviction of the rightfulness of the action taken by the Grand Lodge in the premises. Let us accord the same sincerity and honest intention to others, trusting that the gentle influence of time will heal all differences and make every duty plain."

While not expressing an opinion as to the merits of the case, we cannot refrain from expressing the regret that the Grand Lodge of New York and its Grand Master felt called upon to pronounce their "anathema maranatha" upon the brethren of Connecticut before a settlement was attempted by arbitration, appeal to other Grand Lodges, or some similar methods. The point at issue is a matter about which both can honestly differ, and a proper subject for reference and arbitration. Nor can we refrain from commending the excellent temper which Grand Master Barlow exhibits and the graceful advice he gives to his jurisdiction. It reminds us of the admonition which a Chesterfieldian father gave to his son who was disposed to treat with rudeness a man who was lacking in courtesy: "My son," said he, "you must treat every man politely not because he is a gentleman but because you yourself are one."

We trust that the contending jurisdictions will arrange their differences. The suspension of Masonic courtesy and recognition between sister jurisdictions and especially between those so near to each other as New York and Connecticut, is a serious matter and should not be resorted to until all other reasonable means of adjustment have failed.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina of 1879, receive attention in the reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence which have come under our observation. The decisions of Grand Master Cox are referred to, in almost all instances, with favor, and his address highly commended for its wide-grasp, vigor and polish. Our Orphan Asylum is referred to, also, with expressions of admiration and good will, and held up as an example to other jurisdictions who contemplate or are urged to undertake the establishment of similar works of charity. Our Grand Secretary is a favorite among his guild and is uniformly complimented upon his unvarying good sense, neatness and orderly methods; while the last report of your Committee on Foreign Correspondence has been treated with a forbearance and kindness which the writer, conscious of its glaring defects, scarcely expected it to receive.

The condition of Masonry in respect to the numbers and the apparent interest of its members, is not what enthusiastic Masons desire to see. It is, however, becoming more healthy. It is conservative, satisfied with its high character, conscious of its merits and capabilities for accomplishing good, sure of its firm hold upon the heart and affections of humanity, and trustful of its future. It does not, therefore, put on any outward show, or deck itself in gew-gaws and tinsel, attempt new

and great enterprises for the purpose of attracting patrons and followers, as its numerous and young rivals do. Like charity, "it vaunteth not itself—is not puffed up." It, therefore, does not appear to be winning worshippers and making the stir that other organizations seem to be making, but she is still "Queen of the world," and her charms will remain fresh and attractive long after the made up beauty of her rivals has faded and ceased to enthuse their followers. Or, to suddenly change the figure, Masonry has no booms as other organizations have when they rush forward with their suddenly swollen strength, overrun their banks, tear up old land-marks and sweep the neighboring valleys clean, but as suddenly return to their accustomed channels; but like a gentle river whose fountain head is far, far up in the mountain and that has acquired volume and strength by its long and steady course, Masonry flows peaceably and noiselessly along between its flower enameled banks, making the valleys fertile and men glad, a benediction wherever it goes, and carrying safely and without shipwreck the hopes, aspirations and faith that men have set afloat upon its bosom!

The chairman desires to acknowledge the valuable assistance of Mr. J. C. L. Harris who has kindly aided him in reviewing the proceedings of our sister jurisdictions. The vigor of brother Harris' pen is well known in North Carolina and elsewhere, its polish equals its strength; and Masons who read the following reviews will join me in thanking him for the assistance his pen has rendered.

R. T. GRAY, Chairman.

The Committee on Publication, on account of unavoidable circumstances which delayed publication of the proceedings, decide to omit the reviews prepared by Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

RESOLUTIONS OF ECCLESIASTICAL BODIES IN
THE STATE CONCERNING THE ORPHAN WORK
PUBLISHED BY DIRECTION OF THE GRAND
LODGE.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

At Oxford, November 7th, 1879.

“WHEREAS, We feel a deep interest in the work of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, and believe it is doing an inestimable amount of good; and whereas, we believe that the Baptist people of the State will feel it to be not only a duty, but a privilege to contribute regularly to its support; therefore,

Resolved, That all our pastors are hereby earnestly requested to take up a collection at each of their churches at least once a year in behalf of this great and important work.” [Re-adopted at Goldsboro, November 20th, 1880.]

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL
CHURCH, SOUTH.

At Wilson, December 8th 1879.

“WHEREAS, This Conference is in hearty sympathy with the great charity known as the Oxford Orphan Asylum, and desiring to reiterate the great principals of benevolence which found, over a century ago, their highest human expression in the life of the great founder of Methodism; and, whereas, we regard the Orphan Asylum, under its present management, as in every way to be commended; therefore,

Resolved 1st, That each pastor of our Conference is hereby requested to take up a collection for this charity any Sabbath in the year, which may be selected by the preacher.

Resolved 2d, That the pastor forward to J. H. Mills, Esq., at Oxford, the amount so collected, and report the amount of the same at the ensuing Annual Conference, under the head of the collections for the poor.”

AT WINSTON, DECEMBER 6TH, 1880.

“*Resolved*, That the pastors all over our Conference take up a collection the first Sunday in May, or any other time most suitable, in their judgment, for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum at Oxford.”

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

At Winston, May 13th, 1880.

“*Resolved*, That this Convention does heartily approve the efforts of the Oxford Asylum to alleviate the sufferings and to provide for the welfare of the helpless orphans of North Carolina; and that we commend to the imitation of all, the example of this spirit of active charity and beneficence on the part of the Masonic fraternity, in thus fulfilling the Apostolic injunction to remember the poor.”

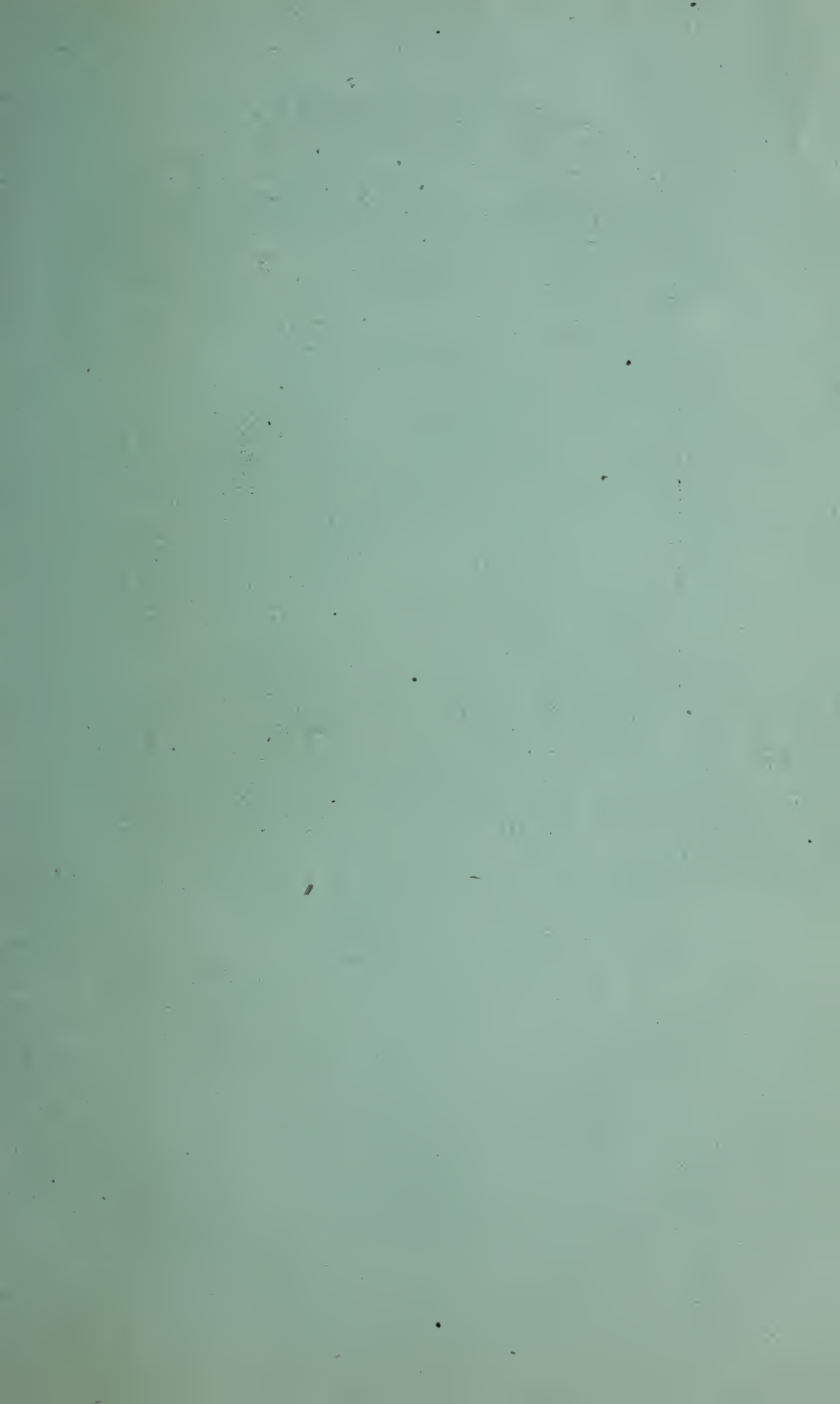
THE SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

At Raleigh, November, 13th, 1880.

“WHEREAS, The Oxford Orphan Asylum of North Carolina is a purely benevolent institution and is doing great good for the needy orphans of our State; therefore,

Resolved, That we approve of its purposes, and suggest that the congregations within our bounds take up at their own convenience, an annual collection in behalf of that institution, and forward the sums collected, in connection with any articles of food and raiment which may be contributed, to the Superintendent, Mr. J. H. Mills.”







THE ORPHAN ASYLUM,

--AT--

OXFORD, N. C.,

Belongs to, and is controlled by the Grand Lodge of Masons. Poor and promising orphans are admitted between the ages of eight and twelve, and are fed, clothed, and instructed till fourteen years of age: they then return to their relatives, or accept the most desirable situations offered. Many have been adopted by childless couples, and educated as their own children. All good people and Masons especially, are invited to make contributions, and to assist the Superintendent in finding such children as are entitled to its benefits.